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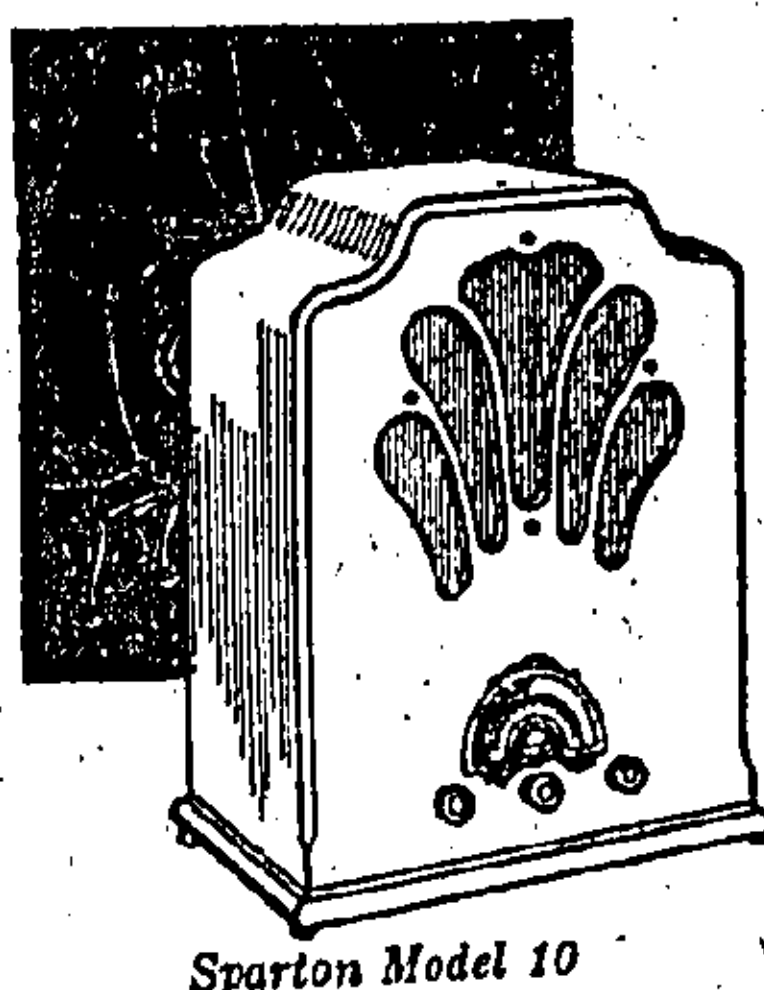
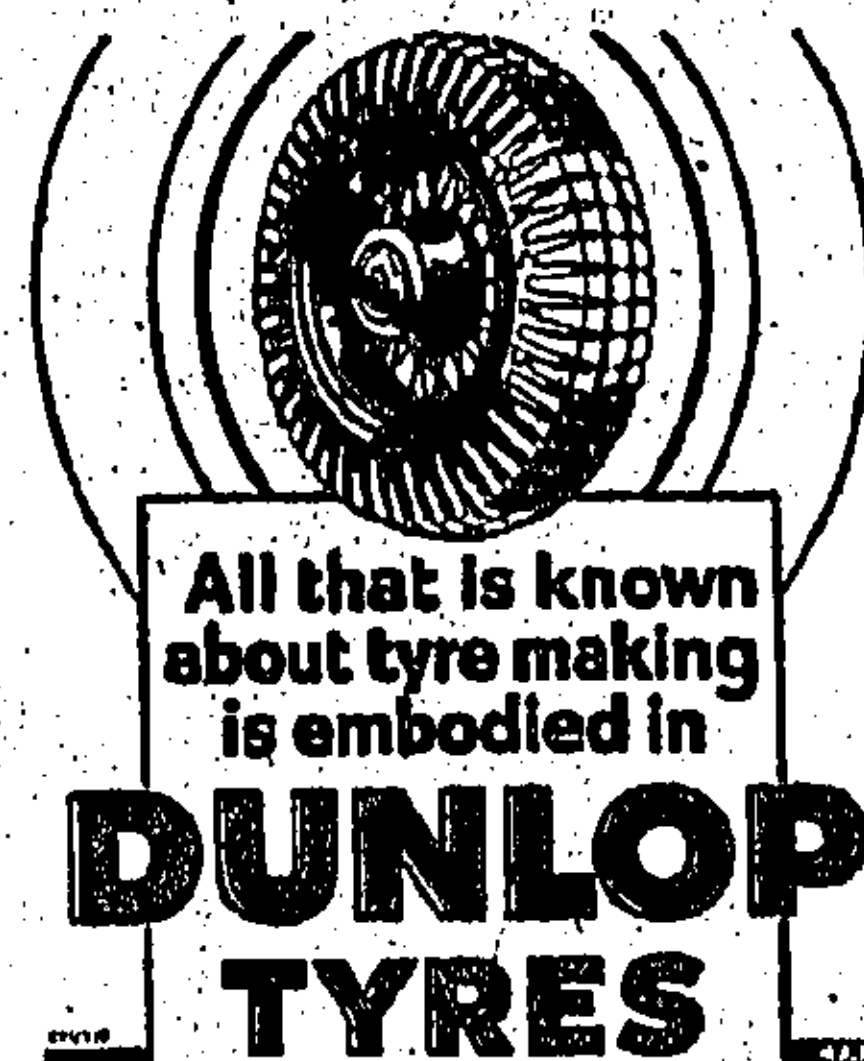
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EIGHT BRITISH SEAMEN LOST AS SHIP SINKS IN COLLISION

HOOVER'S VETO EXPECTED TO DEFEAT "WETS"

Representatives Pass
Beer Measure.

BUT SUPPORT DOUBTFUL.

Washington, To-day.

Although the House of Representatives has passed the Bill legalising the manufacture and sale of beer with 3.2 per cent. alcoholic content, it is doubtful whether the measure will ever get beyond the Senate.

The House of Representatives voted for beer by 230 to 165.

If the measure passes the Senate, it is believed it will be vetoed by President Hoover, in which case it is unlikely that it will secure the necessary two-thirds majority in Congress to override the President.

Even if the Bill were passed, it would not mean that beer would be sold in all the states, as many have prohibition laws still unrepealed. — Reuter.

ROYAL FAMILY AT SANDRINGHAM.

Gathering For Xmas
Festivities.

London, To-day.

The King and Queen will travel by the royal train to Sandringham to-day, where the Court will remain for about six weeks.

The Prince of Wales and other members of the Royal Family who are spending Christmas with the King and Queen, are not expected at Sandringham till Saturday. — British Wireless Service.

MR. HENDERSON CO-OPERATES

Invited To Attend
Powers' Parleys.

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons in answer to a question, Captain Anthony Eden, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated that the President of the Disarmament Conference, Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, had been invited to attend any further meeting of the Five Powers on the subject of disarmament, and had accepted.

There is no meeting of the Five Powers planned for the immediate future, however. The disarmament question has been shelved since by the war debt problem. — British Wireless Service.

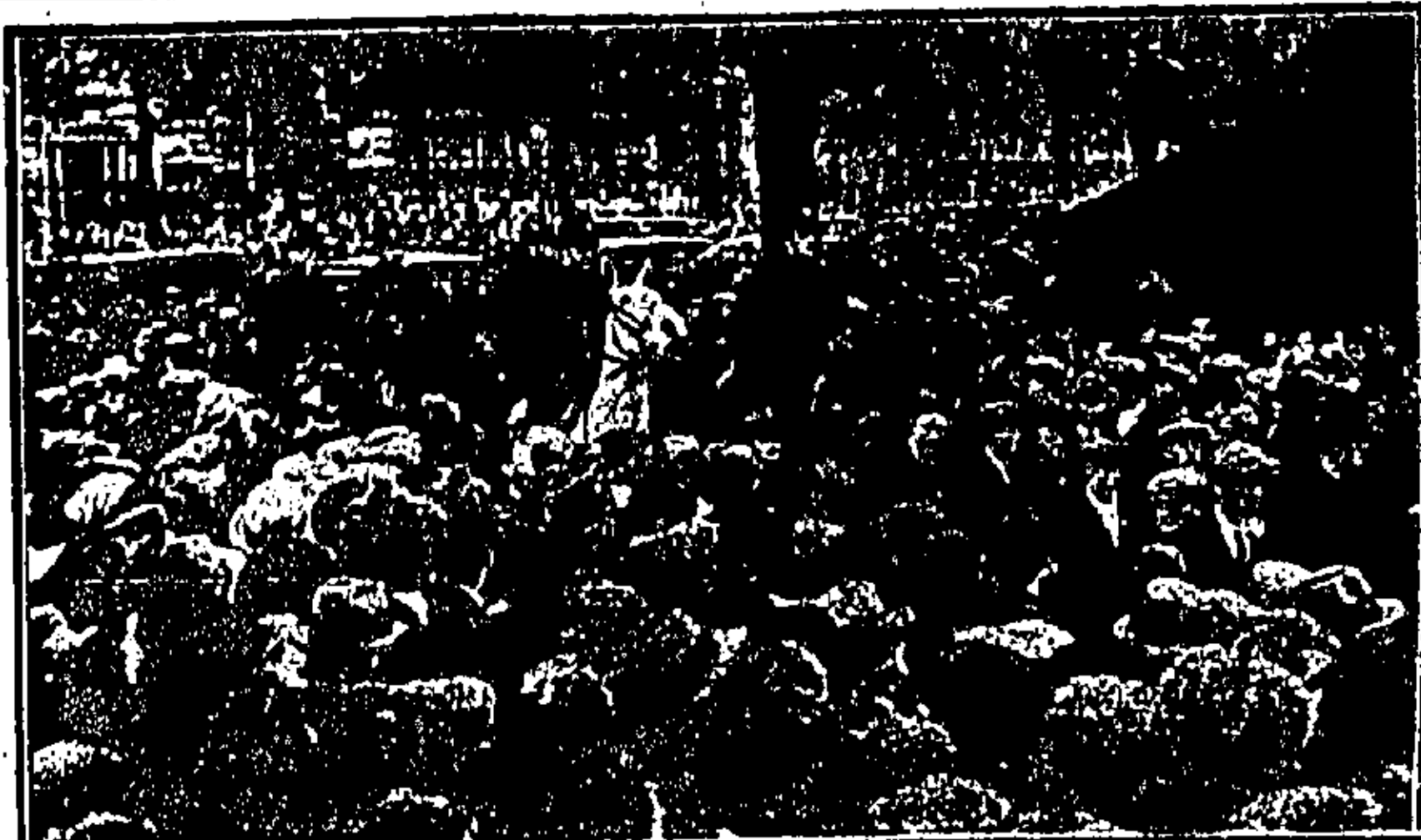
Trade Policies Discussed

Treaties May Be
Abrogated.

London, To-day.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman was asked in the House of Commons whether, in view of the opinions expressed by various Chambers of Commerce, he would now enter upon a policy designed for the abrogation of the existing treaties and to enable all Colonies to give an effective preference to Great Britain.

The secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, Major Colville, replied that it was proposed to consult various organisations representing trade generally, as soon as the relevant facts could be put before them. — British Wireless Service.



Mounted police had to be employed to clear the crowds in Hyde Park during the recent London riots. On Tuesday a fresh outbreak by the Unemployed was narrowly averted through the tact of the London police.

LEADING U. S. BANKER RESIGNS HIS POST.

Chairman Of Chase Bank Served
29 Years.

New York, To-day.

Mr. Albert H. Wiggin, Chairman of the Government Board of the Chase National Bank, retired from his chairmanship after 29 years of service. He will remain on the Board of Directors, however. — Reuter.

Sir John Simon's Illness

Interferes With His
Work.

London, To-day.

Replying to a House of Commons question regarding the Lena Goldfields award, Captain Anthony Eden Under-Secretary, Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, had the matter under his consideration, but that he had been prevented by his recent illness from dealing with it as he had intended.

He hoped when the House met again Sir John Simon would be able to announce such action as had been taken in the meantime.

EUROPEAN'S LUCKY ESCAPE.

Slightly Injured In
Car Crash.

Mr. C. E. Terry, of the staff of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and Secretary of the Kowloon Residents Association, was involved in a motor mishap in Waterloo Road in the early hours of yesterday morning.

Mr. Terry was driving his car along Waterloo Road shortly after midnight, and in avoiding a coolie who had suddenly stepped from the footpath, the car crashed into the railings bordering the nullah.

Mr. Terry sustained slight cuts to his head. The extent of the damage to the car is estimated at \$300.

COLONY-BANKER.

Disappears With
\$10,000.

The disappearance of a partner of the Nam Sang Bank, with it is alleged \$10,000 in his possession, has been reported to the Police by Mr. Yu Pun Cho, manager of the Bank. He stated that yesterday morning he gave a partner \$10,000 to take to the Ming Cheung Bank to change into Annam money, but his partner failed to return.

RICE EMBARGO ABOLISHED BY CENTRAL BODY

Plenary Session Near
Conclusion.

LAST CEREMONY TO-DAY.

Nanking, To-day.

The Third Plenary Session of the Central Executive Council has adopted the proposal to cancel the inter-Provincial embargo on rice and wheat and to abolish the inter-Provincial taxes on these two grains.

There has been considerable opposition to these taxes in some quarters, hence the move is likely to prove popular.

This morning the Session is holding its final meeting, which will be followed by a closing ceremony. — Reuter.

HAMILTON AT HOME TO MOTHERWELL

Rangers & Kilmarnock
Fortunate.

SCOTTISH CUP DRAW.

London, To-day.

Glasgow Rangers, holders of the Scottish F.A. Cup, have been drawn at home to Arbroath, the Second Division team, in the First Round. Kilmarnock, runners-up, visit Lochgelly and should experience little difficulty in winning comfortably.

The best game of the Round will undoubtedly be that between Hamilton Academicals and Motherwell, two of the leading teams in the Scottish League.

The following is the draw for the First Round which will be played on January 21:

Stenhousemuir v. Morton.
King's Park v. St. Mirren.
Arbroath v. Penicuik Athletic.
St. Bernard's v. Partick.
Airdrie v. Alloa.
Hibernians v. Forfar.
Clyde v. Fraserburgh.
Stranraer v. Boness.
Queen of the South v. Third Lanark.

Edinburgh City v. Ayr.
St. Johnstone v. East Fife.
Falkirk Amateurs v. Queen's Park.
East Stirling v. Montrose.
Cowdenbeath v. Dundee.
Dunfermline v. Celtic.
Raith v. Falkirk.

Armadale v. Dundee U.
Lochgelly v. Kilmarnock.
Albion v. Inverness Thistle.
Rangers v. Arbroath.
Hearts v. Solway Star.
Dumbarton v. Raith.
Hamilton v. Motherwell.

Leith v. Brechin City.
There will be four byes in the Third Round draw. — Reuter.

Foreign Orders Cause British Aviation Boom

London.

During the month of October British aircraft and engines with a value of \$100,000 have been ordered by or delivered to foreign powers. This is one of the highest monthly figures ever recorded by the British aircraft industry and is part of the "boom" now in progress for the British aircraft export trade.

One of the orders was for 12 general-purpose type aircraft, to be delivered to an "unknown state" in South America. Other nations who have purchased British aircraft for military purposes recently include Brazil, Portugal, and Iraq.

Brazil ordered 22 machines to be used for air-gunnery training by the Brazilian Navy. Portugal ordered ten for general training purposes in the Portuguese Air Force, while Iraq's order was for six twin-engine machines of a new type.

The "boom" is attributed to the high prestige of British aircraft created by Great Britain's capture of the world's speed and height records, the two most important records in aviation. — Reuter.

FIVE RESCUED BY DAMAGED VESSEL

SAILORS TRAPPED BELOW
AS CRAFT FOUNDERS

NO CHANCE TO ESCAPE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

EIGHT BRITISH SAILORS, AMONG THEM THEIR CAPTAIN, WERE DROWNED OFF SEAHAM HARBOUR, DURHAM, YESTERDAY, WHEN THEIR VESSEL, S.S. GATESHEAD, SANK AFTER A COLLISION WITH A LARGER SHIP, S.S. MIRANDA.

Only five of the Gateshead's crew were rescued, picked up by the boats of the Miranda which were hastily lowered to search for survivors. Miranda herself was badly damaged.

The Gateshead is a small coast freighter of 712 tons, and the impact with the Miranda, a Norwegian, of 1,328 tons, sent her to the bottom almost instantly. The crew below deck would have little chance of escape.

The Miranda, having searched in vain for others of the Gateshead's crew, proceeded at once to Seaham Harbour, where the five rescued men were landed.

A court of enquiry will sit in Seaham, in all probability.

The s.s. Gateshead is a steel-screw, three-masted steamer of 712 tons gross and a net tonnage of 332 tons. Built in Germany in 1917, she was formerly the s.s. Wilhelmsholper, and later renamed s.s. Gouwzee, and was owned by the Tyne-Tees Steam Shipping Company, Ltd.

Built for Messrs. D. S. and A. S. Miranda, at Dordrecht in 1920, the s.s. Miranda is a vessel of 1,328 tons gross, with a net tonnage of 754 tons. Registered at Bergen, she flies the Norwegian flag.

INLAND AIR ROUTES FOR BRITAIN.

Mrs. Amy Mollison
Christens Ship.

London, To-day.

The first of a fleet of "Dragon" cabin aeroplanes with which an Essex firm of motor-coach proprietors proposes to organise inland air routes and popularise air touring in Britain, was delivered on Tuesday, and the naming ceremony was performed by Mrs. J. A. Mollison—the famous airwoman.

The machine is equipped with two Gipsy Major engines of the type used by Mrs. Mollison on her record flight to the Cape.

The Dragon's maximum speed is 128 miles per hour, and the disposable load is 1,850 pounds. — British Wireless Service.

POPULAR COLONY WEDDING.

Charming Ceremony
In Monastery.

HETTMEYER-MAY.

At the Registry Office, Supreme Court, this morning Miss Thelma May, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. May, 5b, Garden Road, became the bride of Mr. Horst Hettmeyer, youngest son of the late Mr. Hermann Hettmeyer and Mrs. Clara Hettmeyer, of Remscheid, Rhineland. The Rev. Dr. Karl Ludwig Reichelt officiated. The religious ceremony will take place at the Tao Fong Shan Monastery, Shatin, at 3 p.m. this afternoon, and this will be followed by a reception in the Hall of Welcome in the Monastery. (Continued on Page 7.)

Britain Plans Air Link

Australia Service
Considered.

London, To-day.

At question time in the House of Commons, the Under-Secretary for Air, Sir Philip Sassoon, stated that it was impossible to give a definite forecast regarding the proposed British-Australia Air Mail service, but it was believed it would be in operation within a few months of the taking of the decision.

An interim offer of the Royal Dutch Indian Airways to provide a service pending the establishment of the British-Australian Air Mail, was under the consideration of the Government who were in consultation with the Australian Government. — British Wireless Service.

N.Y. STOCK MARKET STILL QUIET.

Sentiment Appears
Bearish.

New York, To-day.

The New York Stock Market is passing through a quiet period, little outside buying being reported yesterday. Only 730,000 shares changed hands.

Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company's daily report states that industrial issues are showing better resistance than railroad shares. The market, on the whole, is in receipt of very little outside buying. General trading sentiment is perhaps more bearish than bullish.

Rails, utilities, and bonds show a downward trend, rails dropping 51 to 25.38. Industrials advanced 19 to 58.97.

PLAN TO ASSIST RESEARCH.

Rubber Manufacturers
May Be Taxed.

London, To-day.

The House of Commons gave first reading to a private Bill, introduced by Mr. Kirkpatrick, to provide that rubber manufacturers of Great Britain should contribute on a basis of the amount of raw material handled, to scientific research in rubber culture.

Mr. Kirkpatrick explained that the bill was slightly modified to meet objections raised when similar measures got to second reading in 1928 and 1931. — Reuter.

H.K. DOLLAR MAY RISE TO 1/6 BY MARCH

Optimistic Opinion In
Business Circles.

A WIDER USE OF SILVER?

Following the continued slump in silver, the local dollar opened to-day at 1/3. Its value has steadily decreased since it reached 1/4 1-4 a few weeks ago.

The constant fluctuations and the recent slump have been attended by an unsteady effect on local business in the Colony, and much concern is felt about the future market movements.

Despite the present situation, the outlook is generally optimistic and a strong body of opinion is inclined to the belief that the dollar will recover and will stand at 1/6 by March next.

A China Mail representative who interviewed several leading members of local financial and business circles was informed by many that the whole situation was most uncertain. Where a definite opinion was expressed, however, it was optimistic.

Few wished to be quoted, but the following statement by a well-known broker found general support: "Silver is at an unnaturally low price and must regain ground in the immediate future. World statesmen, particularly American leaders, are advocating a wider use of silver, and it is almost certain that something will be accomplished. In this direction at the forthcoming World Economic Conference."

A member of a banking firm stated that there were increasing signs of a gradual recovery from the world depression and that silver, one of the main commodities, would be one of the first to manifest the benefits of an improvement. (Continued on Page 12.)

Correspondence.

PROTECTION.

[The Editor, "China Mail"]

Sir,—The Green Island Cement Company has been singled out by certain local papers who advocate some form of protection or favour by our Government.

Many local concerns would welcome some form of protection for similar reasons as those put forward for the Green Island Cement Company.

I personally have been engaged in the food business in this Colony for many years and have had to compete against large quantities of food-stuffs brought here from sources outside the Colony and the British Empire.

It is suggested that our Government should make Contractors use a portion of the Green Island Cement in their work. I personally would be very grateful to our Government if they would make people eat a certain portion of locally produced or Empire products daily.

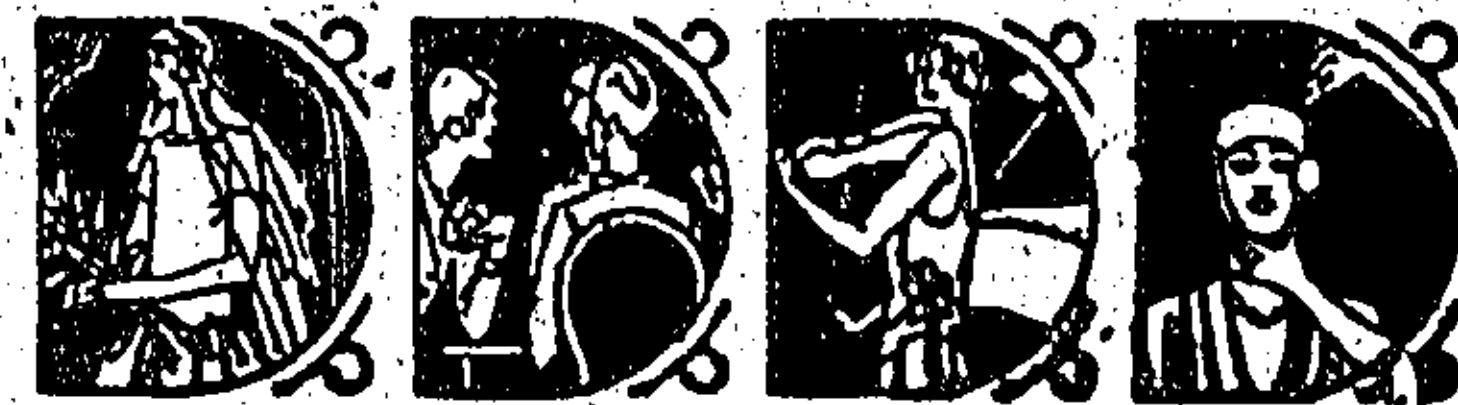
The form of competition complained of has been going on for many years and if the Green Island Cement Company has escaped until recently it has indeed been very fortunate.

The Government must treat us all alike in this matter or let those concerns find ways and means to combat these conditions as Lancashire is now doing under similar circumstances.

It is sad to realize that our local industries are being badly hit by foreign competition, we must now ever be fair to all concerned. — FAIRNESS.



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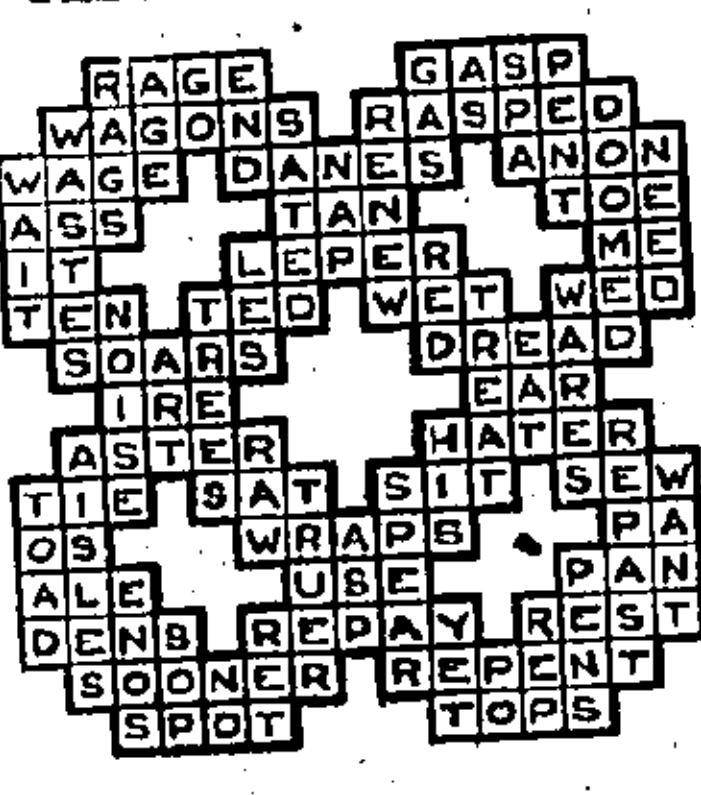
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Those who have worn or made the knitted or crocheted cap realise the full value of the extra width given by the turning up of the edge or the becomingness of the crease which may be made in the head just above the forehead. But woolen caps are by no means suited for every occasion, and, apart from the more formal hat, they yield very easily to the felt beret.

Felt berets are being made this year in corduroy felt and on the lines of tam o' shanters. The difference between them and the latter is that the band round the head of the tam o' shanter is tucked up inside the beret, so that it seems all crown. This band can, however, be pulled down where it is, so desired, and it enables the beret to be twisted into the particular shape which suits the wearer.

While the stripes of the felt go round the crown, it is in keeping with modern fashion that they should slant when worn. To enable this to take place, the band must be entirely untucked from within the beret and then tucked up again on one side only. This immediately gives the appearance of a slant, which is very useful for those whom a slant does not ordinarily become.

As the crown is looser than the band it allows of creases being made in it, some of which give it a great deal of character and rather more sophistication than is necessary for younger people. The crown can be pinched in a sort of hoop over the front, and this will naturally necessitate some more creasing at the back. A little in front, as in the Russian caps, is very becoming, and a crease across the back gives an extra bulge to the head where this is particularly becoming. Felt berets can be pulled into any sort of shape, and it is only a matter of persisting in the finding of a becoming line and then clinching it with a clasp or brooch.



Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Breakfast.
Orange Juice
Cooked Corn Cereal
Cream
Soft Cooked Eggs
Buttered Toast
Coffee.

Luncheon
Celery Soup
Crackers
Bread
Plum Sauce
Gingerbread
Tea

Dinner
Veal Chops Viennese
Baked Potatoes
Escalloped Cabbage
Bread
Butter
Cranberry Pie
Coffee.

Veal Chops Viennese
6 loin chops
1/4 cup flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/4 cup chopped celery
2 tablespoons chopped onions
1 1/2 cups tomatoes
3 tablespoons fat
Have chops cut 2/3 inch thick. Arrange in shallow baking dish. Sprinkle with flour, salt and pepper. Add rest of ingredients. Cover and bake one hour in moderate oven. Remove lid, bake 15 minutes. During baking, turn chops several times.

Cranberry Pie
2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
2/3 cup lard
4 tablespoons cold water
Mix flour and salt. Cut in lard with knife. Mixing with knife, add water. When stiff dough forms, break off 2/3 of it and fit into pie pan. Add cranberry mixtures. Roll out remaining dough, cut into 1/4 inch strips. Arrange criss-cross on top berry mixture.

Cranberry Mixture
3 cups berries
2 tablespoons flour
1-1/3 cups sugar
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
2 tablespoons lemon juice
4 tablespoons water
4 tablespoons butter
Mix berries, flour, sugar and nutmeg. Pour into pie shell. Add lemon juice and water. Dot with butter. Add pastry strips. Bake 15 minutes in hot oven. Lower fire and bake 20 minutes in moderate oven.

LITTLE ORNAMENTS FOR EVENING.

Send Colour To Dark
Frocks.

Dark evening colours—black satin and velvet, brown and corinthe satin—are one of Worth's features. Brilliant little touches in the form of metal stars, diamante buttons and paillettes brighten this sombre fabric note and white pique tones into the décolletés of black gowns. Other smart shades of the autumn are orchid pink, grass green, wheat yellow, poppy red. Two new jersey silken fabrics with a mat quality are in light and dark coral pinks. These are sometimes contrasted next crinkly pale apricot yellow ribbon scarves.

Bow tie motifs bring a change in decoration to many of the corsages, some of which show variety from square front and lower back "Y" décolletés through taking single diagonal lines running in opposite directions back and front.

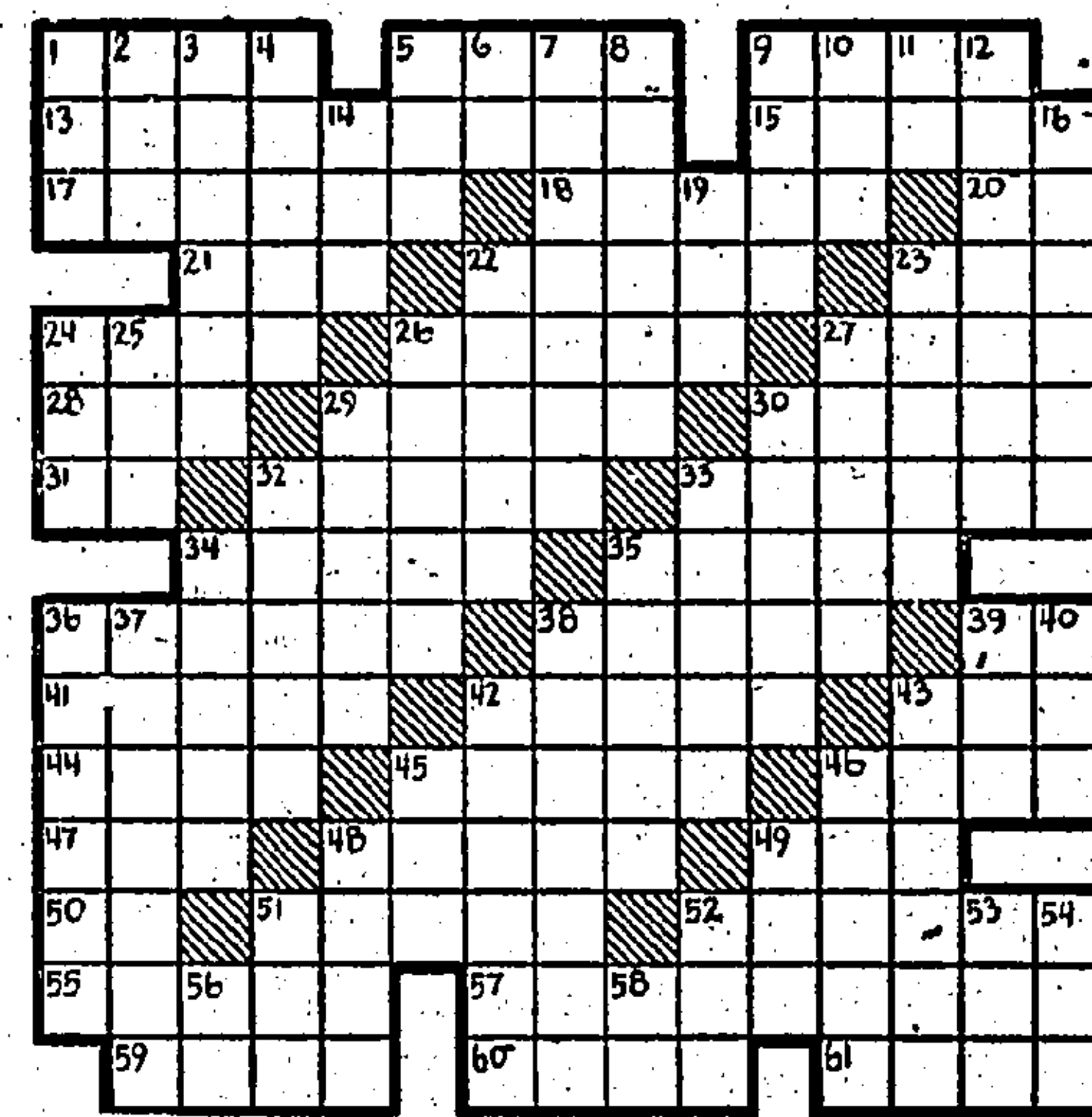
THE SWAGGER MODE



The fichu line, quite flat, but invariably frilled, is a favourite neck-line, the fichu passing over the shoulders at the back and crossed shawlwise in front.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1-Baby bears
5-Boy's name
9-Doxes
13-Stupidity
15-Prussian city
17-A lesson
18-Former Russian title (pl.)
20-Musical note
21-Noise
22-A game
23-Evening (Poet.)
24-Stagger
26-English novelist
27-Slipped
28-Propeller
29-My lady
30-Segment
31-And (Latin)
32-Mature
33-Skipped lightly
34-Pertaining to morning
35-Combining form
36-Trapped
38-Reason
39-About
41-Tardier
42-Dried plum
43-Expression of impatience
44-Above

(The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle.) will appear in to-morrow's issue.

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

45-Soft limestone
46-Lap
47-Tablet
48-Ignited
49-Sood covering
50-Interjection. What
51-Rend
52-Lost to view
53-One who receives a gift
57-College half year (pl.)
59-Dispatched
60-Paradise
61-Greek goddess of discord

VERTICAL

1-House pet
2-Employ
3-Parm implement
4-Lazy person
5-An insect
6-Musical note
7-A Turk
8-Method
9-An emperor of Rome
10-Farm animal
11-Postscript (abbr.)
12-Benefit
14-Tavern
16-Wanted

VERTICAL (Cont.)

19-Consumed
22-Loaded
23-Choose
24-Flash eggs
25-Consums
26-Very fast
27-Ago
28-A hand-dress
30-Hesitate
32-Scarier
33-Intoxicated (pl.)
34-Paired
35-Error
36-Blinded
37-Tribe of Indians
38-Wound
39-Groans
40-Gave food to
42-Clause
43-Coarse feed for horses
44-Hint
46-Loud (Mus.)
48-Braton (abbr.)
49-Foot-like organ
51-Boy's name (short)
52-Writing implement
53-Canton in E. Switzerland
54-A letter
56-Compass point (abbr.)
58-Penguin

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KING'S THEATRE

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THE MOTORISTS' PAGE

RACING CAR HAS USE
FOR FIREWORKS.Motive Power For
New Type.

Minneapolis.

All the rockets at this year's Minnesota state fair won't be used in nightly fireworks displays.

A number will furnish the motive power for a new racing auto which Sig Haugdahl, veteran racer and four times claimant to the world's dirt track title, will drive in the races.

The car, first rocket-propelled vehicle to be seen here, is equipped with 32 18-inch tubes arranged in cross formation at the rear. The rockets, packed with a special chemical-gunpowder combination, are ignited by a spark gap at the end of each cylinder and operated from a control board on the dash.

The rockets are wired to be fired singly or in pairs, from either side or simultaneously, to aid the driver in manipulating his power to facilitate steering.

The machine has attained a speed of 75 miles an hour in trials. It is on a standard racing chassis with 144-inch wheelbase and weighs 1,650 pounds.

CUBAN ENTHUSIASTS
END LONG TREK.Many Thrills In 37,000
Mile Motor Trip.

FORD'S GREAT TRIUMPH.

Thirty-seven thousand miles through every state of the United States and of America, tours of Canada, Mexico, Japan, Korea and Manchuria, through the heat of the tropics and the snow of various sections of the American continent, a Ford Model "A" roadster arrived recently in Shanghai and has yet to experience mechanical trouble.

In the Ford Roadster, which Mr. Bacardi purchased in Boston, Mass. early last year, he and Mr. Manuel Piedra, son of the Cuban Minister to China, have travelled through Cuba, the United States, Canada, Mexico, Japan, Korea and Manchuria to Shanghai, piling up a thrilling experience of which the two young Cuban motoring enthusiasts speak with the happiest of recollections.

On October 17, 1931, the two Cubans commenced their travels, which have taken them several thousands of miles more than the distance they have chalked up on the Ford speedometer. In the year which elapsed between their departure from Miami and arrival in Shanghai.

Their Ford roadster took them through the freezing cold of Canada in winter and the heat of tropical Mexico in summer—all without mechanical trouble. Accidents they encountered, including one in which they escaped serious injury in some miraculous fashion. The body of their Ford was badly damaged when it toppled into a ditch after a skid resulting from a flat tire. Dr. Piedra was pinned under the car while his companion, who was driving, was hurled from the roadster, but the engine functioned perfectly without adjustments or repairs being made although body repairs caused a two-day delay.

Snow blocked the travellers' passage more than once and shovelling had to be resorted to, which wasn't much fun, Mr. Piedra recalled ruefully. The problem of keeping both occupants and car warm was solved by installation of a "not-so-effective heater" attached to the engine, a windshield heating device and adhesive tape which prevented cold coming through the windshield. The combination was most effective. Mr. Piedra stated they combated fog which made driving almost impossible between Hartford, Conn. and Worcester, Mass.

Thirteen tyres in all were used on the 37,000 mile trip, these including the six now on the car. Sets of four individual anti-skid chains clipped to each of the rear wheels kept the Ford moving through snow-bound country. Roadmaps guided them on their course throughout, the pair never losing their way until they got to Shanghai—where they spent two hours trying to locate the Cuban Legation on Route Pottier!

Mr. Bacardi was the driver throughout the trip and Dr. Piedra served as "trouble-shooter," in which capacity he remembers the unforgettable experience of changing a tire with the thermometer registering well below zero and a biting cold wind blowing.

BUCKET FROM AN INNER
TUBE.

Old inner tubes should not be consigned to the rubbish heap, for they can be turned to good account in many ways. Sections of tubing may be clipped over such bulky accessories as the type pump and wheel lock, and so will prevent annoying rattles from the tool box. A container which takes up very little room when packed and which is useful for carrying water when hoses or tin buckets are not available, can be made from a length of inner tube which is firmly sealed at one end and the other end is cut off. A short and narrow length of the same material should be attached at the other end of the tube to provide a handle.

GOODRICH TYRES IN
STIFF TEST.Eight Months Trial
Concluded.

More than eight months of intensive tyre testing on the burning pavements of Imperial Valley in California ended recently when trucks of the B. F. Goodrich Company's famous Silver Fleet returned to Akron headquarters with a mass of tyre data obtained under tremendously severe operating conditions.

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GENERAL NOTICES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Green Island Cement Company, Limited, held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of August, 1932, a Call of \$2.75 per share was made upon all the members holding shares, whose names appear in the Company's register of shareholders on the 17th day of August, 1932, upon which only \$1.00 per share has been paid, and it was determined that such Call should be paid on the 31st day of December, 1932, to the Company's Bankers, The Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Head Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

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NATIVITY PLAY AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

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Some fine amateur acting was witnessed by a large congregation in St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon when "The First Nowell" a Nativity play, was presented. The story was told in three scenes, with a prologue. The first depicted the Virgin Mary and the coming of the Angel Gabriel. In the second were seen the three shepherds, sitting by their fire, and the coming of the angel with "tidings of great joy." The last scene, was beautiful and had its setting in a Bethlehem Inn. During intervals the choir and congregation sang Christmas hymns.

MAIL REVIEW

"PALMY DAYS"—MAJESTIC THEATRE.
In response to requests by theatre-goers, Samuel Goldwyn's popular musical film "Palmy Days" is showing at the Majestic Theatre. Eddie Cantor has the leading role in this production, which is just one big laugh from beginning to end. Charlotte Greenwood, Eleanor Hunt, Barbara Weeks, and Frances Dee help in a great deal in making the film the marked success that it is. Recommended.

CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW

"CHANCES"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Chances" which is now showing at the Queen's Theatre is a film which in every respect merits the highest praise. Every foot reflects the taste of the director who handles an extremely sensitive theme with great charm. He has also picked the cast with remarkable insight, for there could scarcely be found a more suitable actor to take the lead than Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.

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"IMPATIENT MAIDEN"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

"Impatient Maiden" adopted from the novel by Donald Henderson Clarke, and well directed by James Whale, is the feature attraction at the Central Theatre.

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Una Merkel, John Halliday and Andy Devine are in the supporting cast of this Universal production.

MAIL REVIEW

"TRANSGRESSION"—STAR THEATRE.

Ricardo Cortez, Kay Francis and Paul Cavanagh, have the leading roles in "Transgression" the current attraction at Star Theatre. The story deals with the torment of a young woman reared in the peace and quiet of an English countryside, who goes to Paris and struggles against conscience and impulse when an ardent lover attempts to sweep her off her feet.

MAIL REVIEW

"DANCE TEAM"—KING'S THEATRE.

James Dunn and Sally Eilers, the lovable pair of "Bad Girl" fame, are together again in Fox's entertaining film "Dance Team" now showing at the King's Theatre. The story tells of the ambitions of Dunn and Miss Eilers to achieve success as dancers, but they encounter disappointments and discouragements before they gain success as a dancing team.

Minna Gombell, Edward Crandall, Nora Lane, Ralph Morgan, Harry Beresford, and Charles Williams complete the cast. Recommended.

MAIL REVIEW

"DISORDERLY CONDUCT"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

Bright entertainment is provided in "Disorderly Conduct" now showing at the Oriental Theatre. Spencer Tracy is excellent as the American traffic policeman, while Sally Eilers renders good support with Ralph Bellamy and El Brendel.

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Tango—Jealousy, Three Little Times, Gerald's Gaucho Tango, Orchestra CB417.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
8.02-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concerts.
10.50 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.
10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

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12.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.

2 p.m.—Close Down.

5-8 p.m.—European Programme.

5-6 p.m.—A relay of the Revellers' Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden by courtesy of the Management. (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio.)

6-7.30 p.m.—A programme of records kindly loaned by a listener.

7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, Selected London and New York Stock Quotations.

Orchestral—Estudiantina (Waldteufel), The Skaters (Waldteufel), International Concert Orch.

Song—At Santa Barbara (Weatherley & Russell), Will She be Waiting Up (Hayes & Sterndale-Bennett), Dennis Noble (Baritone).

Organ Solo—Medley of Song Hits, 1930, Quentin Maclean.

Orchestral—Sparkling Waters of Waikiki, Blue Hawaii, Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.

Xylophone Solo—Dancing Stars, Dance of the Toy Regiment, Joseph Green.

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Orchestral—Any Rags, Bottles or Bones, Will Anybody Here Have a Drink? Jack Payne & His B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

Piano Solo—C. B. Cochran's 1930 Revue—Medley—Rite de Costa.

Humorous—The Farson Talks About Marriage ("Yes, I Think So!"), Vivian Foster (The Vicar of Mirth).

Orchestral—Where the Golden Daddodis Grow, Rollin' Down the River, Guy Lombardo & His Royal Canadians.

Orchestral—Makin' Faces at the Man in the Moon, Cherie C'est Vous, Jack Payne & His B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

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Breathing-Space In India.

The semi-humorous warning uttered by Kipling for the benefit of those who might seek to "bustle the Aryan brown" is but little needed to-day. For a much wider circle than that of Anglo-India has learned, and is still learning, that the supposedly patient East must be outplayed at its own game by those of the West who would treat with it successfully. Patience, indeed, is rather with the white man than with the Oriental, and assuredly he needs it more. In India, that world in itself, he has to deal with a multitude of child-like minds, normally capable of recognising as a whole the benefits he brings them, but at all times liable to strange upheavals. They are easy material for incitement, and they have among them masters of that art. Hence the swift alternations that are witnessed of better conditions or worse, contentment and unrest succeeding each other with little apparent cause. At the moment, report is made of rapid progress in attempts to bring about communal political peace. It may be so; but premature rejoicings would be inadvisable. So many swift reversals have been seen in a land so ideally fitted for panic propaganda and for bitterness, racial and sectarian. The only wonder is that the presence of the British is able to keep native antagonisms in check at all. A note of unreality is added to these latest rumours, when we have it gravely stated that Mr. Gandhi (still wisely detained by the Government) is known to be ardently desirous of peace since his "triumph" on the question of the Untouchables. What was that "triumph"? In Western eyes it was almost nonexistent. As the result of his well-advised hunger-strike in protest against the granting of separate representation to the depressed classes, a nominal compromise was arranged, which seemed "viewed from afar" to differ very little from the original

proposals. However, it was announced that opinion on the spot was satisfied, and that was the main purpose of the British Government's scheme. Never before had any satisfaction been as much as pretended, so here at last was something distinctly gained. This was on the political side. But on the moral side it was, for at least some days, declared in messages from several Indian sources that a still greater gain had been accomplished. Orthodox Hindus, it was stated, the men who treat those of lower caste or of no caste at all (members of their own race, be it remembered) with deeper contempt than the most arrogant white man ever shows towards the lowliest aliens, were throwing off their age-long prejudices, fraternising with the Untouchables, and allowing them to approach the temples and sacred bathing-places. Alas! this halcyon period was sadly short-lived. It does not seem, in fact, to have long survived the political readjustment which enabled the Mahatma to break his self-imposed fast. In Mr. Gandhi's own district, which at first welcomed the reforms, the enthusiasm soon died down, while in Surat those "who had mingled with the casteless had to undergo a public purification. Little wonder that the Untouchables themselves came to the conclusion that the short period of tolerance had been only a bribe to induce them to abandon their claim to the benefits of the Government's scheme. That done, they were thrown aside once more by leaders of the Congress type. Through all these devious shifts, political crime has continued, though mainly, even almost entirely, confined to Bengal, the territory concerning which an old Indian saying has it that "the men are women and the earth water." The harder races have often pointed out what the fate of such a region has been repeatedly in the past, and would be again in the future, were the British protection removed. Oblivious of such harsh realities, the Bengalese agitators, though they cannot either fight like warriors or make peace like statesmen, can employ the revolver and the bomb, which are safer to their wielders than the dagger. To combat these tactics by direct methods is the work of the sorely-tried police. To check them by moral suasion is now the avowed aim of numerous political leaders, both European and Indian. It is natural and proper for the latter to beat themselves, seeing that the great majority of those politically murdered have been of their own race. But we do not yet see Mr. Gandhi's name among them, or read of any intention on his part to undertake, for example, and protest, another hunger-strike.

HERE. THERE and EVERYWHERE.

The following incident occurred in the Central Police Court on Wednesday morning, during the hearing by Mr. Wynne-Jones of a minor case. A Chinese woman was saying the address of a certain place was No. 37 Wyndham Street, when a male voice from the back of the Court shouted "No, it is No. 47." "Bring that man up here" was the sharp retort of Mr. Wynne-Jones. The man, a Chinese, came forward, and stood in front of the dock. "Fined five dollars" remarked his Worship.

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Brush—and—brush—just to brush—think—brush—that—fourteen—brush—short—brush—years ago—brush—I had—brush—a batman—brush—to clean—brush—my—brush—shoes.

She'll Ken

It was market and Christmas day, and John Smith, farmer, Bograxie, after finishing his business in the corn market, went to celebrate the season. He patronised several public houses, with the result that he got fairly "well to do," and missed the last train home. Making his way to the Post Office he rolled up to the counter, and from the young lady on duty, brusquely demanded—"Gies a form." "What sort of a form do you want?" she asked. "Oh, an o' yer telegraph form, an' will ye fill it up for me?" "Oh, yes, what shall I say?" "Let's see. Oh, ay, jist address it to Mrs. Smith, Bograxie, and say, 'Lost the train—Jock.'" "But won't you give some reason for losing the train?" asked the young lady. "Oh, ye needna bother about that—she'll ken!"

Facts You Did Not Know.

Japan's new factory law prohibits the employment of women and children between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.

Composed of a soft rubber pad instead of bristles, a new shaving brush massages the face as it applies lather.

Germans have combined a motion picture camera and telescope on an instrument for recording airplane test flights.

An inventor has mounted a six compartment dial on ball bearings on a base to facilitate selection of its contents.

A Japanese wireless telegraph company is erecting a station at Koyama for communication with the South Sea area.

News in Brief.

Two cases of diphtheria were notified to the Health Authorities on Tuesday.

The third meeting of the Hong Kong Branch of the English Association will be held in the Helena May Institute on Tuesday January 3, 1933, at 5.30 p.m. when Mr. H.C. Macnamara will speak on "Light Verse."

Mr. W. S. V. Curtis, manager of the Duro Pump and Engineering Company, was summoned before Mr. Butters at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday for unlawfully sinking four wells on Kowloon Island Lot 2153 without a permit from the Building Authority. Defendant was cautioned.

After 35 years' service with the Hong Kong Government, Mr. Sirdar Khan, Chief Clerk of the Harbour Office, will leave the Colony on retirement next year. He and Mr. Alan Khan of the Naval Yard, who is also retiring on pension, were guests of honour at a tea-party given by the Moslem Society at Lane Crawford's Restaurant yesterday. Many prominent Indian residents were present.

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SEIZED TERRITORY FROM IMPERIAL GERMANY

THE DOCILE MICRONESIANS

Palau (Pelew Islands). In 1920 the Japanese Government was charged by the League of Nations with a mandate over the three island groups of Micronesia which before the War had been in the possession of Germany, and which a Japanese naval force had occupied in 1914. These three archipelagos constitute a vast triangle the base of which—the long line of the Caroline and Marshall groups—extends east and west for 2,500 miles at a distance of a few degrees from the Equator, while the apex is at the extremity of the Marianne group, 1,200 miles farther north.

Within this expanse of ocean are situated the 523 islands and the 800 islets and reefs that form the three archipelagos, with an aggregate area of land of only about 700 square miles. Communication between Japan and the islands is maintained by two steamers which visit the eastern and western groups at regular intervals. The distance traversed on the former route from home port (Yokohama) back to home port is over 7,600 miles, and on the latter over 6,700 miles. The mail is delivered in the Caroline and Marshall islands eleven times in the year. The difficulty of administering such remote islands, scattered over so vast an expanse of sea, is manifest. Although the German control had been benign there had been no excessive haste in organization, and little had been accomplished beyond careful preparatory study during the 16 years that the Caroline and Marianne groups had been in German possession. To-day the Japanese Government is carrying out the mandate with efficiency, generosity, and good will.

The natives of these archipelagos—about 45,000 Kanakas, distributed over all the groups and about 3,000 Chamorros, restricted to the northern and western islands—are docile, thrifty, only moderately intelligent, and immoderately idle. Nor is there much need for them to work for Nature furnishes them with almost all that they require. Their staple article of food—bread-fruit—grows wild in profusion. The coconut, on which the inhabitants of many of the coral islands almost entirely subsist, exists in unlimited quantities. For change and variety there are the banana, papaya, taro, and fish. Clothing, though worn by the men in and near the settlements, is a luxury rather than a necessity, and is often discarded. The women are rendered unattractive by the costume that the missionaries are stated to insist upon their wearing—a garment resembling the caricaturist's pictures for the early Victorian nightgown and said to be fashioned on that model.

Imported Labour. In addition to the 45,000 native inhabitants of the islands there are to-day about 18,000 Japanese, mostly people of the Luchu archipelago. The majority of them are employed in the cultivation of the sugarcane and in the sugar refineries of Saipan and Tinian, or are engaged in the fishing industry elsewhere. They do not actually compete with native labour, for both these industries have only recently been introduced. In both cases a trial was made of native labour, which, when procurable, was found to be inefficient and unsatisfactory.

It is evident that progress and prosperity depend upon imported labour, and that the 45,000 natives will not play more than an insignificant part in the material advancement of the islands. Beyond the harvesting of the coconut and the preparation of copra, with some intermittent work in the settlements, the native shuns exertion. What then is the future of these 38,000 people, whose capacity and inclination to work is almost nil and who leave the land in their possession—that is to say, almost the entire surface of many of the islands—uncleared, uncultivated, and unproductive?

By the existing law no "foreigner"—Japanese or other—can purchase, or otherwise acquire, possession of native land, the proprietary rights of which can only be disposed of among the natives themselves. The law should be maintained. But some method may have to be devised whereby the productivity of the islands is not

retarded. So thrifless and ignorant are the natives that the repeal of this enactment would tempt many of them to sell their properties for a handful of silver, to find themselves in a very short time without land, without money, and without food. A system exists by which the "foreigner" may lease native land by consent of the authorities and after official registration; but with the increasing immigration abuses may ensue—without the knowledge of the responsible officials—that will be difficult to control. Few colonizing efforts have escaped such abuses, and illegal methods of evading such laws have occurred in most countries similarly situated. The islander is not only ignorant, but he also lacks the energy to defend his own interests. Probably no population is more dependent upon paternal protection.

Rental System. Yet there is no reason why land in the possession of the individual native, or of native communities, should not be rendered available for cultivation while retaining its native proprietorship. Where parties are agreed—the native to let and the foreigner to acquire on lease—a notification to this effect could be made to the competent authorities, who would examine the circumstances. But instead of the "foreigner" leasing the land from the native the Government might become the direct tenant—preferably on a long lease—and sublet to the "foreigner." The native proprietor or proprietary community would receive an annual rental guaranteed and paid by the Government, and the Government would in turn collect rent from the "foreigner." One native interest would require the strictest protection. If forest land is to be cleared—and nearly all native property is forest land—it should be stipulated that the wild fruit trees—particularly the bread-fruit—should be protected for the benefit of the native owners, to whom they furnish their chief subsistence. The Japanese would no doubt prefer that wild Nature should provide the native population with food rather than that the islanders should become a charge upon the administration. The good will and efficiency of the Japanese Government and of their administrators is manifest throughout the islands. Justice, education, hygiene and sanitation, research work, and moral and physical culture are all receiving serious attention. The hospitals, dispensaries, and schools are admirable. The police force is incredibly small, for these Micronesians are docile and law-abiding; and the maintenance of order is easy. The missions, Catholic and Protestant, enjoy complete liberty and receive financial assistance. About two-

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NEGRO'S BRAVERY IN GREAT WAR.

Public Tribute To Black Fighter.

London. Coloured men stood around Sir Ian Hamilton at the Cenotaph in London recently and heard him pay tribute to the bravery of negroes in the war. After setting a wreath in their memory against the Cenotaph, Sir Ian, who had made a special journey from Scotland to do so, said: "Although war is a wicked and cruel thing, it has one great merit in that it draws folk together into one family. All men and women are equal; colour is no bar." Recalling the fine service of the Senegalese soldiers in the Dardanelles, he said: "No men could have died more bravely. Over and over again, fighting for Greater Britain, your race has shown qualities of courage and self-sacrifice second to none; but this is the first time in modern history that the debt has been publicly acknowledged." The ceremony followed a service for coloured men in Westminster Abbey and a visit to the Unknown Warrior's grave, where a wreath was laid.

MANUFACTURERS SUE FOR \$944.

Case Concerns Sale Of Flashlights.

A claim for \$944.64 by the China Metal Manufacturing Co., Ltd., against the Wing Fung Firm and Cheung Lai Ting, being the balance due on goods sold and delivered to the latter firms, was heard this morning at the Supreme Court before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood.

The plaintiffs supplied flashlights to both the defendants on July 13 valued at \$1,144.64 and were paid \$200 on account on Oct. 11. They are now claiming the balance.

Mr. F. C. E. Randall appeared for the plaintiffs firm. Mr. T. P. Kemble of Wilkinson and Grist appeared on behalf of the defendants. The case is proceeding.

THE AUSTRALIAN TRIO.

Appearance At King's Proves Popular.

The Australian Trio, the brilliant musicians, now appearing at the King's Theatre, are proving to be one of the greatest drawing attractions ever seen on the stage in Hong Kong. Even the most critical audiences are hailing them with enthusiasm.

The golden tenor voice of John Priora, the violin solos of Bertini and the excellent touch of Harry Story on the piano are certainly deserving of the acclaim they have received.

The trio, who have already been here for one week, will continue their season, and will be heard at the Peninsula Hotel during the Christmas revels. They have a happy knack of presenting a well-blended programme, and the touch of humour in their burlesque act, does not detract from the beauty of the classical numbers.

GALA NIGHTS AT REPULSE BAY

French Artists At Popular Hotel.

Mme. Line Marlys and M. Maurice Stephen, both of Empire de Paris, who entertained in recitals of French songs last Saturday at the Repulse Bay Hotel dinner dance, are to give repeat performances at the carnival dinner dances on Christmas eve and Boxing Night.

They are known as sensational song artists and their contribution of songs in French have established their popularity with audiences in their travels. Mme. Line Marlys possesses a pleasing rich mezzo-soprano, and her songs include delightful classical melodies.

M. Maurice Stephen is a French comedian extraordinary. He is a jolly singer, remarkably entertaining and amongst other features gives excellent imitations of Maurice Chevalier.

The artists should be heard to advantage on the carnival nights, their entertainment adding materially to the pleasures of the occasions.

MANY ATTEND C.B.S. DANCE.

Fancy Costumes At Annual Party.

Much jollity prevailed in the hall of the Central British School yesterday evening, when the senior pupils held their annual fancy dress dance.

Many attractive costumes were worn and the prizes were won by Miss Jean Bryson (The Hiker) and Peter Clark (The Executioner).

Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale, Headmaster, thanked all those who had helped to make the evening such a success, and especially thanked Mr. T. R. Rowell, for the hard work he had put in producing the plays which were presented in St. Andrew's Church Hall earlier in the evening.

The dancing terminated with the age-old Sir Roger De Coverley. The junior pupils are holding their Fancy Dress party this evening.

While walking down Ladder Street last night, Miss W. P. Ho, of 30, Cumberland Road, Kowloon, had her handbag snatched by a Chinese male who made good his escape. The bag contained money and other articles to the total value of \$45.70.

Correspondence.

MOTOR ACCIDENT FACTS.

[The Editor, "China Mail"]

Sir,—In a prominent place upon the front page of your issue of yesterday you state with reference to Mr. Abraham's motor accident:—

"They suddenly met a car, driven by Mr. C. W. Jeffries, Director of the Royal Observatory. They swerved to avoid a collision, etc."

This statement is at variance with the facts as regards the reference to myself, for at the time of the accident I had just entered on the opposite end of the Causeway between Taipo Police Station and the District Officers house, and was a mere spectator of the car's movements at a distance of not less than 200 yards.

As an observer of the incident in company with four others I must definitely state that there was never any question of swerving to avoid my car or that of any other car and that my connection with the accident consisted solely in helping Mr. Abraham and his companions from the water.

C. W. JEFFRIES.

Personal Pars.

Mr. T. H. and Mrs. Pond arrived in the Colony this morning from the North on the s.s. Empress of Asia.

Mr. G. J. Hogg was a passenger on the Kamo Maru from Manila, which arrived in Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Geddes, Miss and Master Geddes arrived yesterday morning by the Kamo Maru from Melbourne.

Miss L. Wilson, who is on a tour of the Orient, disembarked yesterday from the Kamo Maru, which arrived from Melbourne.

Mr. G. R. Payne of the passenger department of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Co. arrived back in the Colony from the North on the s.s. Epress of Asia this morning.

Among the passengers returning to the Colony on the s.s. Empress of Asia this morning, was Mr. R. Baker, manager and chief engineer of the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

The forthcoming weddings are announced between Mr. George William Ewart True, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, and Miss Constance Marie Halsall, 358, The Peak; Mr. James Evans, engineer, of 73, Leen Keen Terrace, Causeway Bay, and Miss Alice Chui, 9 Ying Wah Terrace; and Mr. David Boyle, engineer, China Navigation Co., and Miss Vera Eleanor Roberts, en route to the Colony per s.s. Comorin.

POPULAR COLONY WEDDING.

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The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a charming dress of ivory wool lace in Princess style, with embroidered veil and wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white roses and maiden hair fern. In attendance as bridesmaids were the Misses Norma May, sister of the bride, and Jeanette Chaillet, who wore dresses of pale blue crepe de chine in Victorian style. They carried neat bouquets of sweetpeas and maiden-hair fern. The bride's mother, Mrs. May, was present at the ceremony in a dress of rose and black flowered georgette.

The duties of best man were discharged by Mr. B. R. Rasmussen, the versatile Shamen Inter-port Swimmer. Music was provided by Mr. A. Hamre.

A largely attended reception was subsequently held at 9, Felix Villas, the future home of the newly-wedded couple.

The happy couple are spending their honeymoon at Baguio, P.I., the bride's travelling dress being a French model in tucked Navy blue charmeuse.

The bridegroom is of the staff of Messrs. Reuter, Brockelmann & Co., and is a popular member of the German Club.

A Chinese, aged 60 years, having the appearance of a mendicant, went to the Tsun Wan Police Station yesterday afternoon to make a report, but before he could do so, he collapsed and died. The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

A.O.F.C. Quotations.

New York, Yesterday.
Dow Jones Averages.

	20 Rals	25 Rals	51 down
30 Industrials	58.78	58.97	19 up
20 Rals	28.39	28.58	51 down
20 Utilities	27.37	27.27	10 down
40 Bonds	77.25	76.90	26 down

Messrs. E. A. Pierce & Co. Report:—Industrial issues are showing better resistance than railroad shares. The market, on the whole, is in receipt of very little outside buying. General trading sentiment is perhaps more bearish than bullish. Business done: 730,000 shares.

	Last To-day's Price.	Price.
Air Reduction	57 1/2	58 1/2
Allied Chemical & Dye	70 1/2	70 1/2
American Can	55 1/2	55 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	104 1/2	103 1/2
American Tob. "B"	58 1/2	57 1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	6 1/2	6 1/2
Auburn	50 1/2	50 1/2
Borden Co.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Canadian Pacific	13 1/2	13 1/2
Chrysler Motors	16 1/2	16 1/2
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	58 1/2	58 1/2
Drugs, Inc.	34 1/2	34 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	30 1/2	30 1/2
Eastman Kodak	54 1/2	54 1/2
Electric Bond & Share	18 1/2	18 1/2
General Electric	16 1/2	16 1/2
General Foods	24 1/2	24 1/2
General Motors	13 1/2	13 1/2
Gillette Safety	19 1/2	19 1/2
Internat. Harvester	21 1/2	21 1/2
Internat. Tel. & Tel.	6 1/2	6 1/2
Liggett & Myers "B"	55 1/2	54 1/2
Loew's Inc.	18 1/2	18 1/2
Montgomery Ward	10 1/2	10 1/2
National Biscuit	38 1/2	38 1/2
Pacific Gas & Electric	29 1/2	29 1/2
Pennsylvania Railway	14 1/2	14 1/2
Radio Corp.	5 1/2	5 1/2
Sears Roebuck	19 1/2	19 1/2
Standard Oil Co. of N.J.	29 1/2	30 1/2
Secony-Vacuum Corp.	7 1/2	7 1/2
Union Carbide & Carbon	24 1/2	24 1/2
United Pacific	69 1/2	69 1/2
United States Steel	27 1/2	27 1/2
Westinghouse E. & M.	27 1/2	27 1/2

WALKS 2,000 MILES FOR A JOB.

And Then Fails To Find One.

(Reuter's Mail Service.)

London. In search of a job in these days of unemployment, a 20-year-old London stock-broker's clerk has just returned home from a 2,000 mile tramp around Europe. He didn't find a job.

Mr. D. Cliff is his name. Bored with sitting around home when he was thrown out of employment by the stock market depression, he set off for a tour of Europe with 28s. 6d. in the pocket of his new plus fours.

During the four months he was away, when his 2,000 mile walk took him through France, Belgium, Germany and Switzerland, he spent £10—mostly earned in his travels. Among other things on his trip he:

Wore out five pairs of boots; was arrested and imprisoned in Switzerland; learned to speak two languages, French and German; lived for weeks on wild fruit; slept under hedges, haystacks, and trees the whole time; and gained weight.

Stuck It Out. "I started off by walking to Folkestone," he said in relating his adventures. "My brother said I would be back again in two days. The first night in the open with-out blankets was not very comfortable, but, not wanting my brother to have the last laugh, I stuck it out."

"Across the Channel I landed at Boulogne and it took me seven days to get to Paris, where I arrived with two apples in my pocket and nothing else."

"The roads in Germany were filled with tramps, but all of them were so clean that I thought at first they were hikers on holiday."

"I crossed the Swiss border at Basle and got a few days' work on a Swiss farm high up in the Alps. Then I went to the Riviera, wearing shorts in the day time and my plus fours as my pyjamas."

"Climbing the 8,000-foot Col de Galibier, I returned to Switzerland where I was arrested for being a vagabond. They took me to Berne and locked me up for three days on a diet of soup and bread. Then I was taken to the German border and told to get out."

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fresh north-easterly winds with cloudy skies are forecast in the Royal Observatory's weather report issued this morning.

To-Day's Short Story.

THE PHANTOM BUS

By W. Elwyn
Backus.

OUT of the vagueness of the half-dawn a dark bulk loomed to the accompaniment of a dull rumble. To Arthur Strite, waiting for his regular bus—the big, orange 6.45 to the City—this nondescript contraption which usually preceded it by a minute or two seemed more like a ghostly coffin than a public conveyance. Its sweating black sides glistened oily in the grey light as it passed him. A single dim incandescent lamp seen through the windows silhouetted stiffly nodding heads against the background of a dingy interior. Then the black bus was gone, swallowed up in the swirling December mist and fog.

As always, a feeling of odd disquiet possessed Strite with the passing of this conveyance—a fleeting impression of mystery, strangely repellent and defying description; of ill omen. What manner of passengers it carried or whence and whither it travelled, he did not know—and cared less. Yet, queerly enough, the affair had increasingly irritated and disturbed him ever since his moving to Emerymont three weeks before.

"Just an old junkheap that loops out through Norwood and back over this direction," a fellow season ticket-holder said in answer to his question. Until this morning Strite had refrained from what he deemed the weakness of a query about this thing. For he had hesitated to give definite disquiet by admitting any curiosity, even to himself. "I believe a couple of death-traps like that one comprise the company's entire rollingstock," his informant finished.

"Oh," said Strite, mentally putting the bus line in the same cate-

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thirds of the islanders profess Christianity, almost equally divided between Protestants and Catholics. There are American, Spanish, and (Christian) Japanese missions, and at the invitation of the Government some of the German missionaries have returned to resume their work. In all there are about 27 or 28 European or American missionaries distributed over the three archipelagos. The natives who have none the less largely abandoned their earlier indefinite animistic superstitions, and are hovering on the borderland of conversion.

Throughout the islands Christianity is practised if not always understood. Yet during the period that the missions have been in existence—in the case of the American Board (Congregationalists) Mission, close upon 80 years—little has been accomplished. In awakening among the natives any effort for material improvement. Their dislike of work appears to be incurable, and all these long years of instruction seem merely to have resulted in the singing of hymns, the wearing of Western clothes—a doubtful benefit—and the training of a few carpenters, who exhibit a primitive skill in fashioning toy models of the island canoes.

The welfare of these 48,000 islanders must be Japan's principal charge and anxiety. They require little, and are easily contented, and the Japanese Government has already given ample proof that it is its intention to protect their interests and to promote their welfare.

CHILDREN READ MORE.

Children in London are reading more. During the past year, the number of issues of books from the Westminster City's Council's Libraries to children has increased from 27,727 to 55,435.

Through alighting from a China Motor Bus Co. vehicle while it was in motion in Nathan Road near Hamilton Street, a Chinese woman sustained injuries to her head and was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

gory as several that operated a sort of cross-country service between outlying sections of Cincinnati. Of course, he reflected, some concern had to serve this need. But he was conscious of a feeling of relief that he did not have to use that service.

Arthur Strite was boarding in Emerymont with the Ransons, not because of any liking for the make-believes, the rabble of bourgeoisie and scandal-mongers that peopled the little suburb, but because he did enjoy the shrubbery and lawns and the quaintly designed houses, despite the crazy butting of garbage-can-studded back-yards against living-room windows of adjoining houses. He minded his own business, displaying no curiosity in the neighbours or affairs of the place—which was one of the reasons why he had not discovered sooner the purpose of the bus line mentioned.

TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's short story will be "Two of Those Women," by Stacy Aumonier.

The night of the same day he had asked about the bus he found himself pondering, with some intentness, in the midst of an absent-minded perusal of the evening comic sheet, on the dingy conveyance that passed him each morning. Why should that silly bus thus intrude itself into his mind?

He smiled self-indulgently and turned over to the sports page. The thing actually was becoming a nuisance! And for no logical reason. What should it matter to him how uninviting, how disagreeable a box on wheels those people rode in every morning?

Nevertheless, he dropped off to sleep thinking about the ghostly bus.

The same thing began to be the rule on the nights that followed. Always that ridiculous feeling of indefinable dread would come over him, would cling tenaciously to his thoughts from the moment he happened to think of having seen the shadowy bus that morning. He had half a notion to halt the confounded contraption some morning and see where it took him, just to dispel all this absurd air of mystery about it which had so unaccountably fastened upon him. Though perhaps there was some reason for his strange obsession after all. Not quite one year before, his fiancée, Doris Tway, had been killed in a terrible bus crash. He remembered the crumpled remains of the fatal bus, which he had seen afterward, vividly. It, too, had been black and shabby. An odd girl—she had always said that if she left first she would return for him. Her idea of a joke, of course, but unusual.

In spite of his notion about halting the other bus, Strite did not ride it—not for several weeks anyway, although its daily rumbling and jangling approach, made more eerie by the shortening of the days, had driven that impression of weird mystery deeper than ever into his waking thoughts. Waking, because, so far, the dark bus had troubled him only during the evenings before he retired.

However, there came a night when he dreamed that he obeyed an impulse and boarded the strange bus!

He was conscious of a sickly odour as he entered the rickety door, which had slid back with a softness in strange contrast to the outward clatter of the conveyance. The visor of the operator's cap was pulled well down over his face as he leaned over his levers. Strite felt the bus begin to move. Oddly, there was no vibration, none of the jarring rattle and bang he had expected. He might have been on a river barge, for all the motion he could feel. Startled more by this unnatural quiet than he could have been by the loudest of jangling or jolting, he raised his eyes toward the occupants of the bus. Perhaps it was the strange effort this act seemed to impose upon him; at any rate, he awoke in that instant, seized by unreasoning, incomprehensible terror!

It was an hour before, his taut nerves had relaxed enough to let him drop off to sleep—and not before he had vowed to ride that bus in fact the next morning.

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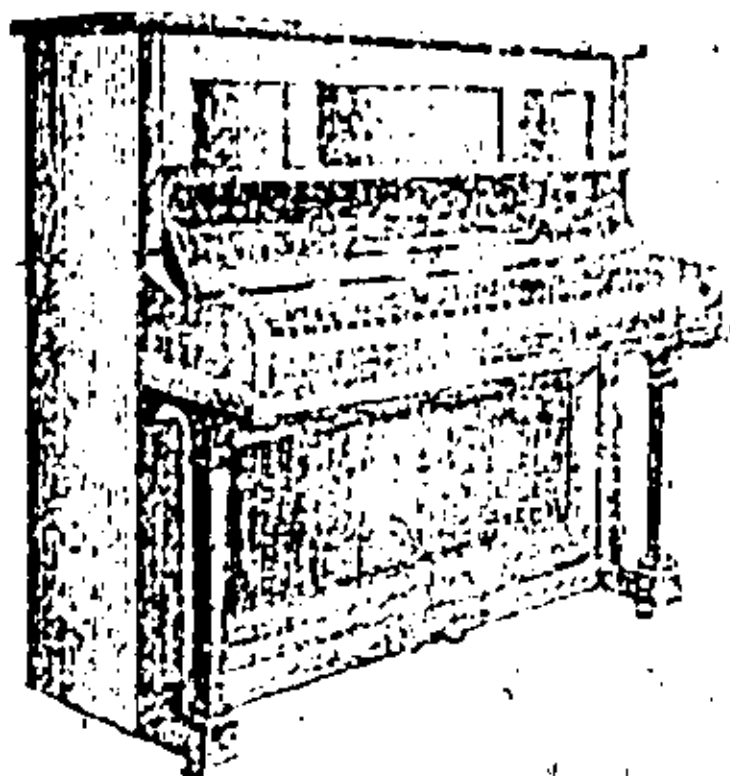
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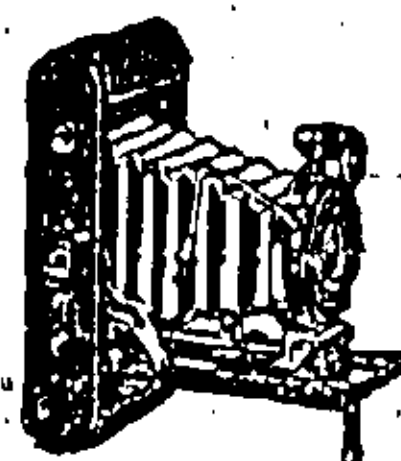


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CPL. DAVIES SCORES 96

Medical Corps 'Win
In Small Units
League.

WHITLEY'S GOOD CATCH.

THE Medicals gained an easy
victory against the Service
Corps in the Small Units Cricket
League at Sookunpoo yesterday,
winning by seven wickets.

Davies and Patterson gave the
Medicals a good start in reply to
the R.A.S.C. total of 120 before
Whitley brought off a magnificent
catch off his own bowling to dis-
miss Patterson. Davies, however,
went on to score 96.

Davies batted splendidly,
giving but one chance, when in
the eighties, and hitting two
sixes and fourteen boundaries.
Scores:—

R. A. S. C.				
S/Sgt. Flood, c. Beare, b. Davies	2			
L/Cpl. Buckland, b. Davies	7			
Sgt. Tippet, c. Beare, b. Davies	12			
Dvr. Gray, b. Davies	3			
Dvr. Whitley, c. Goulding, b. Davies	35			
Cpl. Joyce, b. Bradley	18			
Cpl. Orr, c. Colledge, b. Bradley	6			
Lieut. Jeffers, l.b.w., b. Lewis Bryan	16			
Sgt. Tighe, st. Patterson, b. Bradley	8			
Capt. Faithful, b. Beare	0			
L/Cpl. Spain, not out	1			
Extras	7			
Total	120			

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Davies	11	0	51	6
Beare	8	2	17	2
Colledge	2	0	15	0
Lundau	1	0	7	0
Bradley	3	0	11	2
Lewis Bryan	3.3	0	12	1

R. A. M. C.				
Cpl. Davies, c. & b. Gray	90			
Sgt. Patterson, c. & b. Whitley	20			
L/Cpl. Colledge, st. Buckland, b. Flood	6			
Rev. Lewis Bryan, b. Gray	25			
Pte. Payne, not out	6			
Extras	11			
Total (for 4 wks.)	164			

Q. M. S. Lundau, Cpl. Beare, Pte. Bradley, Pte. King, Pte. Goulding and S/Sgt. Nicks did not bat.

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Flood	11	0	45	1
Whitley	13	2	56	1
Gray	7.3	0	26	2
Orr	8	1	26	0

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TO-MORROW

Kowloon Chess Club Champions

A. D. Sequiera v. P. T. Rozario

A. C. Riddington v. J. S. Smith

B. W. Paul v. C. M. Sequiera

Junior

A. J. Biriukoff v. P. Yvanovich

A. Kurrik v. H. H. Bush

T. E. Parry v. J. Easton

A. Prata v. A. L. Rocha

Dr. H. D. Matthews v. M. Cunietti

HOCKEY

Mamak Tournament

University v. 12th. Battery

(Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)

Signals v. Medway

(Marina 4 p.m.)

Friendly Match.

Hong Kong Hockey Club "A"

v. Y. M. C. A.

(King's Park, 5.15 p.m.)

SATURDAY

CRICKET

First Division

Civil Service v. University (F)

Indian R.C. v. Craigengower (F)

Second Division

Police v. Hong Kong C.C. (L)

Craigengower v. Queen's College (F)

University v. Civil Service (F)

FOOTBALL

Lai Wah Cup Competition—

Chinese v. Navy

(Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.)

Second Division

Lincoln v. St. Joseph's

Ewo v. South China

Chinese Athletic v. Navy

Club v. Tsung Tsin

S. W. Borderers v. Royal Artillery

Kowloon v. Eastern

Third Division

St. Joseph's v. Lincoln

Royal Air Forces v. R.A.S.C.

Signals v. Radio Sports

University v. Recreation

S. W. Borderers v. Chinese Athletic

RUGBY

Combined Services v. Club

(Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)

SUNDAY

GOLF

Completion of first round of Royal

Hong Kong Golf Club's Admirals'

Cup; Completion of first round of

Kowloon Golf Club Junior Champions-

hip.

JATS BEATEN.

In a friendly game on Sunday,
the H.M.S. Medway Officers hockey
eleven defeated the Jats' Regiment
by the odd goal in five.

Gallant Fox Fetches \$600 At Auction Lucy Glitters Not Wanted At \$2,000

HIGH BIDDING AT VALLEY

MR. L. A. H. Wright's Lucy Glit-
ters was not sold at yester-
day's auction of ponies. The re-
served figure of \$2,000 proved too
much, despite the fact that the pony
looked to be in perfect condition.
The Plover and Wonderful Stag,
both of the same stable and both
of which had a reserved figure of
\$1,900, did not discourage bidding.
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Anniversary
Eve, fixed at \$500, also failed to
receive a bid, and Mrs. G. U. da
Rosa's Joaquim suffered the same
fate at the same figure. Allwell, re-
served at \$300, was another pony
returned to his own stable.
King's Parade, Helvellyn, Judy

and Guiding Star were all with-
drawn before enthusiasts sur-
rounded the Paddock.

Gallant Fox was sold to Mr. A. V.
Harvey at the reserved price of
\$600, and provided the biggest
transaction of the day. Cebu
fetched its reserve price of \$300,
Mr. Y. M. Loo, the promising
Chinese jockey securing a useful
looking bargain. Cabinet Hall
received a raise of \$60 before be-
ing hammered down to Mr. Jones-
Evans.

Messrs. Hughes & Hough Ltd.,
conducted the Auction and were
responsible for the sale of eighteen
ponies for \$3,075.00.

FULL DETAILS OF AUCTION

Good Day, Dun, 13.0—Wong So	95.00
Azalea Leaf, Chestnut, 13.1—Mak Chai	110.00
Silver Key, Grey, 14.0, 1931 griffin—Mak Chai	120.00
Toto, Black, 13.0, Macao Sub. griffin—Mak Chai	35.00
Whitehall, Grey, 12.3, Macao Sub. griffin—D. Black	70.00
Echo, Bay, 13.2, 1932 Sub. griffin—S. W. Tang	190.00
Mun Kao Pao, Chestnut, 13.1—C. W. Sewell	120.00
Estrellita, Cream, 13.3—L. G. Frost	110.00
Winter Hall, Iron Grey, 1930 Sub. griffin—N. Rojdenstrivsk	110.00
Cebu, Chestnut, 13.3—Y. M. Loo	300.00
Cabinet Hall, Chestnut, 13.3—G. S. Jones-Evans	300.00
Hosordy, Brown, 14.0—C. C. Garlwaite	120.00
Gallant Fox, Black, 14.0—A. V. Harvey	600.00
Zeta, griffin—N. Rojdenstrivsk	85.00
Macao, 1933 Sub. griffin, Dapple Grey, 13.3—Mak Chai	30.00
Merry Maker, Polo pony—G. W. Sewell	70.00
AUSTRALIAN PONIES	
Silver Star, Grey, 14.1—Chan Sum	60.00
Changste, Brown, 14.1—S. W. Tang	490.00

CLUB LOSE

Army Win By Goal
Scored By Johnson.

LEE'S FINE 'KEEPING.

(BY CENTRE HALF.)

ON the U.S.R.C. ground yester-
day afternoon, the Hong Kong
Hockey Club first eleven sustained
their third defeat of the season,
when they went down before the
Army by a goal scored by Johnson
in the first half.

The Club's forward line was
considerably weakened by the ab-
sence of W. E. Williams, who was
unable to play owing to an injured
foot. The Army, on the other
hand, comprised no less than eight
South Wales Borderers' regimental
players, but notable absentees
were Capt. Morgan, of the Jats and
Lieut. MacFarlan of the Singapore
Brigade.

H. W. Lee, the Pembroke College
goalkeeper, was given more work to
do yesterday than a fortnight ago
when the Club defeated the Lin-
colns by five clear goals. In the
second half, Lee played brilliantly
doing most of his clearing by
strong kicking. Only once did he
hit the ball, keen anticipation being
a marked feature of his play.

JOHNSON'S GOAL.

Sirdar Khan, the Jats' brilliant
centre-half, played a dashing game
at right-half-back, and had Fin-
cher well in hand throughout the
game.

In the early stages of the first
half, the Club pressed, but weak
combination spoiled many good
openings. Kilbee, on the right
wing was weak, and hesitated to
tackle.

The Army took up the attack, and
the Club defence were given a busy
time. Dand and W. Reed, however,
shone in the Club defence, while
Rodger and E. V. Reed were also
steady. Many chances for the
Army were spoiled by Duttall be-
ing-offside.

Tyler sent in a shot that Lee
partially cleared, and Johnson,
catching the ball on the re-
bound, scored to give the Army
the lead.

Army—Motherwell (S.W.B.), Capt.
Gow (I.M.S.), Fole (S.W.B.), Sirdar
Khan (Jats), Lieut. Crosswell (S.W.
B.), Dykes (S.W.B.), L/C. Jones (S.
W.B.), Lieut. Tyler (S.W.B.), Dutt
Mohamed (H.K.S.E.A.), Johnson (S.W.
B.) and Duttall (S.W.B.).

Club—H. W. Lee; J. Rodger, E. V.
Reed; W. Reed, A. A. Dand, J. E. Pot-
ter; L. D. Kilbee, J. L. Tedley, C. G.
Francis, A. T. Lay and E. C. Fincher.

KENT BEAT R.A.F.

H. M. S. Kent defeated the R.A.F.
by the odd goal in 8 in a friendly
hockey game at this Valley yester-
day.

MAMAK SHIELD.

Champions Win Against
Tamar.

SAILORS ENJOY MOST OF PLAY.

IN a Mamak Hockey Tourna-
ment match played on the
Naval ground yesterday after-
noon, the Radio Sports Club,
the holders, defeated H.M.S.
Tamar by two goals to nil in a
game. Awtar Singh and Gur-
bajan Singh netted for the
Radio.

The Tamar, on the whole had
most of the play, but were unable
to score. Surjin Singh played a
brilliant game in goal for the
Radio, especially in the second half
when he stopped two stingers.

SIGNALS' MAMAK HOCKEY WIN BY 7-0.

THE Royal Corps of Signals en-
joyed an easy victory over
the Kowloon Indians Tennis Club
whom they won by seven clear
goals on the Marina ground in a
Mamak Hockey Tournament
match yesterday afternoon.
Lieut. Whiteway-Wilkinson (3),
Byres (2), Convey and W. Jones
scored for the Signals. The score
at half-time was two-nil in
favour of the Signals.

Mamak Hockey Table

(Up to and including yesterday's
games.)

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Radio	12	11	0	1	47	8	23
R. C. Signals	14	11	2	1	48	13	23
1st Div. H.K.S. 10	0	0	1	46	9	19	
R.A.S.C.	15	7	5	3	20	21	17
St. Andrew's	10	7	2	1	30	12	15
Incognitos	7	0	0	27	3	14	
Medway	12	0	2	4	24	11	16
Police	7	4	1	2	13	10	10
Phoenix	9	3	3	16	17	9	
R.E.	13	4	3	14	29	9	
University	8	4	0	15	10	8	
R.A.M.C.	12	2	6	4	0	20	8
12th R.A.	7	3	3	12	10	7	
Wishart	5	3	2	10	15	0	
Veteran	5	3	0	4	7	4	
Tamar	10	1	7	2	10	24	4
24th R.A.	7	1	5	1	7	21	8
20th R.A.	7	1	5	1	8	15	8
Parthian	4	1	3	0	11	2	
German Club	10	2	8	0	8	17	4
R.A.O.C.	9	0	8	1	0	20	1
K.I.T.O.	12	0	11	1	8	47	1
8th Destroyers	1	0	1	0	1	2	0

TWELVE GOALS SCORED.

A dozen goals were registered in
a fast friendly hockey match on the
Naval ground yesterday afternoon,
when the Navy defeated the H. K.
Singapore Brigade R.A. by 8 goals
to 5.

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SPORT PAGE



SOUTH CHINA were given a fright by the Navy on Sunday, but were victorious by 5 goals to 3 after being outplayed in the closing minutes of the game.—(Ying Ming.)

The Artillery And Medway Favoured For Final Of U.S. Challenge Cup

TOURNAMENTS IN FULL SWING

(By Spot Kick.)

WITH the return of the majority of H.M. Ships the United Services Challenge Shield matches have now commenced. Six teams have entered for the Senior trophy, five being from the larger ships, the Cornwall, Kent, Medway, Suffolk and Hermes, while the Army have the Artillery, present holders of the Shield, as their representatives.

U.S. CHALLENGE SHIELD.

The results to date are as follows:

Senior Shield.	
Medway & Subs. 2 Kent	1
Junior Shield.	
Veteran 2 Wild Swan	0
R. A. F. 8 Wren	1
W. River Boats 1 Tamar	0
Keppel 4 Wishart	1

The Hermes and Cornwall have received byes into the Semi-Final round where the latter will meet the Medway, who gained an odd goal in three verdict over the Kent in the First Round. The Hermes will meet the victors of the Artillery-Suffolk match.

Present form indicates a final between the Artillery and the Medway. The Gunners, who are fielding practically the same team that carried off the Shield last season, are playing splendid football at present, and their H.K.F.A. League record shows they should be strong enough to stave off the Challenge of any of the naval teams.

The Medway, who were surprisingly defeated by the Suffolk last season, have not as strong a team as they had then, and the services of stalwarts such as Tel. Dixon and Sto. Skinner are sadly missed. Dixon, by the way, is at present playing at Chatham in the Pembroke team.

Dixon's natural prowess quickly caught the R.N. selectors' eye, and he was given the right back position in the Royal Navy's first representative game of the season.

THE JUNIOR SHIELD.

The Junior Shield has attracted twenty-five teams. With this number of entries, three rounds are required before the semi-finals are reached.

In the first round the Veteran scored a two-all victory over the Wild Swan, and so qualified to meet the Kent second eleven yesterday.

The R.A.F. enjoyed a runaway victory over the Wren by 8 goals to 1. They are now paired with the Whitehall in the second round, the destroyer having also received a bye.

A keenly fought match against the Tamar found the West River boats' team victors by the only goal scored; they now meet the

winners of the Verity-Suffolk encounter.

The Wishart was opposed to the Keppel in the first round, but found the opposition too strong, and were defeated by 4 goals to 1. With the Bridgewater drawing a bye, the Keppel's next opponents will be the sloop. By virtue of their luck in the draw the Artillery second string, the Herald and the Cornflower also find themselves in the second round without having yet played a match.

TAMAR SURPRISED.

A surprising result was the defeat of the Tamar by the West River Gunboats. The men from the old iron-side are a well combined eleven, but in this encounter they were unable to force home their advantage, and their opponents seized their opportunity to take the lead and hung on grimly to their goal lead until the end.

The Army have only two representatives in the Junior Shield—the R.A.S.C. and the R.A.M.C. The former are due to meet the Witch in the first round, and should enter the second round where they will meet the Sandwich.

If strength in numbers has any bearing in football, the R.A.S.C. should encounter a strong team from the Medway and Submarines, who are their opponents in the first round, but, as the Navy team in the H.K. league show by their indifferent form, it is the practice together that brings about success, and this may prove to be the deciding factor in favour of the Corps. With the R.A.S.C., the R.A. and the R.A.F. in the bottom half of the draw for this Shield current form points to a meeting between the R.A.F. and R.A. in the semi-final.

12th Battery Now Third In Garrison Soccer League

TWO matches in the Garrison Soccer League were down for decision this week, but, owing to the sudden condition of the grounds, the match between the R.A.S.C. and the Signals was postponed. The 12th Battery, R.A., defeated the R.A.O.C. by seven clear goals yesterday, and as a consequence are now third in the table.

The 12th Battery, who are fortunate in being able to call upon several of the First Division League players, were never really extended, and with the exception of the first ten minutes the Ordnance forwards were rarely dangerous. An injury to Sanderson, their centre forward, proved a big handicap to the Corps, and the Gunners accepted their chances to score through Gough and Seal (2) before the interval.

Morgan in the Ordnance goal brought off a number of smart saves, but was soon beaten after

CHINESE TEAM SELECTED FOR LAI WAH CUP GAME.

Probable Side Against Portugal.

The following will represent the Chinese team in the Lai Wah Cup competition against the Royal Navy at Caroline Hill on Saturday at 3.30 p.m.:

Lim Thin-sang, Lee Tin-sang, Lau-mau, Leung Wing-chui, Wong Mei-shun and Lam Yuk Ying; Cheng Shui-hong, Tam Kong-pak, Fung King-cheong, Suen-shun and Ip Pak-wa.

Reserves:—Tong-kwan, Lai Kwok-chui, Leong Yin-chan and Lee Sek-yew.

The above team will in all probability also represent China in the Sunday Herald Charity Competition, against Portugal on Boxing Day. This game will take place on the Club ground at 3.30 p.m.



JONES, the brilliant inside-left of the Borderers who heads the First Division goal-scoring list with 17 goals to his credit. Tam Kong-pak, the South China forward has netted 12 and is the only other player to reach double figures.

CORNWALL TORPEDOMEN TRIUMPH

Rodger's "Hat Trick."

At Happy Valley yesterday the Torpedomen from the Cornwall beat the Engineers by five goals to two in the Inter-Departmental League.

The Torpedomen were much the better side in the opening half, and deservedly took the lead through Wignus, Rodgers adding two more before the interval.

The Engineers were seen to better advantage in the second half and reduced the lead when Wimsicht netted. Rodgers then completed his "hat trick," and Wimsicht went through to score again. Jackson scored the fifth goal from close in for the Torpedomen.

Cup-Tie Soccer At Valley

Kent Win In Last Minute With Penalty.

USHER'S GOOD GAME.

REAL cup-tie football was witnessed at Happy Valley yesterday in the second round of the United Services Junior Challenge Shield between the second eleven of H.M.S. Kent and H.M.S. Veteran. The Kent won by the odd goal in three.

The game was full of excitement throughout, with the Veteran unlucky losers. Usher, the Navy inside right who played in that position for the Veteran, put in some dazzling work only to see the game lost in the last minute.

The teams crossed over after a goalless first half and the Veteran started an attack which lasted fully a quarter of an hour during which their forwards missed two golden opportunities. The Kent then broke away and Green shooting from the wing gave them the lead with a shot which the Veteran keeper failed to hold.

The Veteran returned to the attack and after another hot attack they were awarded a penalty which Ross failed to convert.

Evans then hit the upright and the Veteran did everything but score. Five minutes before time, however, the Veteran's persistency was rewarded when Campbell equalised from a corner. Extra time seemed a certainty when a Veteran defender pushed out a certain goal, and Green gave the Kent the victory by scoring from the "spot."

ENGLAND ELEVEN

Artillery Provide Five Players.

ONLY TWO CLUB MEN.

The following will represent England against Wales in the Sunday Herald Charity Cup on Tuesday, December 27, at the Valley:—

Fogwill (Club)
Allen (Artillery)
Strange (Club)
Robertson (Navy)
Shirras (Navy)
Pardoe (Artillery)
Woods (Artillery)
Bryant (Artillery)
Perkins (Navy)
Moore (Artillery)
Baldry (Lincolns)

The team to represent the Wales will in all probability be identical to the South Wales Borderers First Division team.

WISHART STAGE REMARKABLE RECOVERY

Navy Soccer League.

AFTER being a goal down in the first half of their match in the Destroyer Flotilla League yesterday, the Wishart staged a remarkable recovery to beat the Verity by 6 goals to 2.

The Verity took the lead in the first five minutes through Lambert, but ten minutes later Boyle equalised. Close on half time Heath gave the Verity the lead from a penalty.

The Wishart started off the second half strongly and after a series of corners Lowe levelled the scores, and Williams scored from the wing almost immediately afterwards. The Wishart then had matters much their own way and further goals were added by McCulloch and Beata.

INTERPORT CENTRE FORWARD LEAVES BY SARPEDON.

Howe Due Back In June.

A. G. Howe, the Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tientsin Football Interport, left for England on furlough yesterday by the s.s. Sarpedon.

Howe it will be remembered scored the winning goal in the recent interport with Shanghai after his selection had aroused the ire of many soccer enthusiasts.

He has played centre forward for the Club since L. Goldman was forced to give up the game in 1930, and will fill the same position when he returns from his leave. He is due back next June.

Holiday Football Pimogramme

Saturday.

LAI WAH CUP

Chinese v. Navy
(Caroline Hill 3.30 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

Lincolns v. St. Joseph's
(Chatham Road 2.30 p.m.)

Ewo v. South China
(St. Joseph's 2.30 p.m.)

Athletic v. Navy
(Chinese-H.V. 2.30 p.m.)

Club v. Taung Tain
(Club 2.30 p.m.)

Borderers v. Artillery
(Sookunpoo 2.30 p.m.)

Kowloon v. Eastern
(Kowloon 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

St. Joseph's v. Lincolns
(Chatham Road, 2.30 p.m.)

R.A.F. v. R.A.S.C.
(Recreo 2.30 p.m.)

Signals v. Radio
(Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)

University v. Reclero
(Athletic 4 p.m.)

Borderers v. Athletic
(St. Joseph's 4 p.m.)

MONDAY—(BOXING DAY)

SUNDAY HERALD CHARITY CUP

CHINA v. PORTUGAL
(Club ground 3.15 p.m.)

TUESDAY

ENGLAND v. WALES
(Club ground 3.15 p.m.)

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Artillery	9	7	0	2	23	14	13
Borderers	8	5	1	2	31	9	11
South China	7	5	1	1	25	9	11
Lincolns	8	5	1	2	22	12	11
St. Joseph's	8	5	1	2	14	8	11
Navy	9	4	0	5	16	18	8
Club	8	4	0	4	19	15	8
Athletic	7	2	2	3	21	19	6
Kowloon	7	2	0	5	14	21	4
Police	9	0	0	9	8	57	0

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Athletic	12	11	1	0	43	7	23
Borderers	11	9	0	2	37	12	18
Lincolns	11	8	2	1	31	14	13
Artillery	11	6	2	3	31	23	14
South China	11	5	1	4	29	19	11
Navy	10	5	1	4	29	19	11
Taung Tain	11	4	2	5	20	24	10
Ewo	10	4	1	5	34	17	9
Kowloon	10	2	1	7	17	30	5
Club	11	2	1	8	16	48	5
St. Joseph's	10	1	0	9	11	40	2
Eastern	10	0	0	10	5	64	0

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Borderers	15	9	1	1	48	15	19
Lincolns	10	9	0	1	44	18	18
St. Joseph's	10	7	2	1	40	10	16
R.A.S.C.	11	7	1	3	35	11	15
Athletic	10	6	1	3	26	12	13
South China	11	6	0	5	18	22	12
Radio	11	4	0	5	22	25	12
R.A.F.	9	4	1	4	21	19	8
Signals	10	4	0	6	16	24	8
R.E.	10	3	0	7	17	31	6
Reclero	12	2	0	9	19	30	4
University	11	1	1	7	12	14	3
Talko	11	0	1	10	10	61	1



THE Royal Navy team were defeated by the South China in the premier league by 5 goals to 3 on Sunday.—(Ying Ming.)

Goldman's Rugby Comeback

CLUB FORWARDS WEAK.

Lewis Shows Fine Turn Of Speed.

BORDERERS' RUGBY WIN.

THE South Wales Borderers "A" fifteen defeated the Club "A" fifteen at the Valley yesterday by a goal and two tries (11 pts.) to a penalty goal (3 pts.).

For the first half of the game the Club enjoyed most of the play, but the Borderers made two break-aways and scored on each occasion. The Club's main weakness lay in their forwards, who hardly ever got the ball out of the scrum cleanly. The Club pack were continually pushed off the ball by the opposing forwards, mainly because they were using their weight too early. The Club three-quarters only got going once in the first half, when L. Goldman took the ball from Lowson to break through only to slip when in front of the posts and when a try looked certain.

In the second half Lowson, playing at stand off, was inclined to be selfish and tried to break through on his own too often, being caught time and again when in possession. Terrible played a good game at the base of the scrum, and succeeded in getting the ball away cleanly, in spite of the close attentions of Hewitt.

The Borderers' forwards played a rousing game, heeling well from the tight scrummages, and being conspicuous in the loose.

Walters' Fine Run. The military three-quarters showed good understanding, Hamilton and Lewis being outstanding; Lewis displayed splendid bursts of speed on occasion.

After a long period of midfield play the Borderers opened up the game and scored their first try when Lloyd, taking the ball on the run, cut through to touch down between the posts. He improved his effort to give the Borderers a five points lead.

From the kick off the Club pressed strongly, the forwards dribbling well, Cogan, Moutrie and Burch being conspicuous. After gaining an advantage of 50 yards, however,

the Club forwards failed to heel the ball from a scrum almost on their opponents' line, and Gould sent out a long pass to Walters, who cut through and made a run of almost half the length of the field to score near the posts.

In the second half the Club played a better game but their forwards were still weak in their heeling from

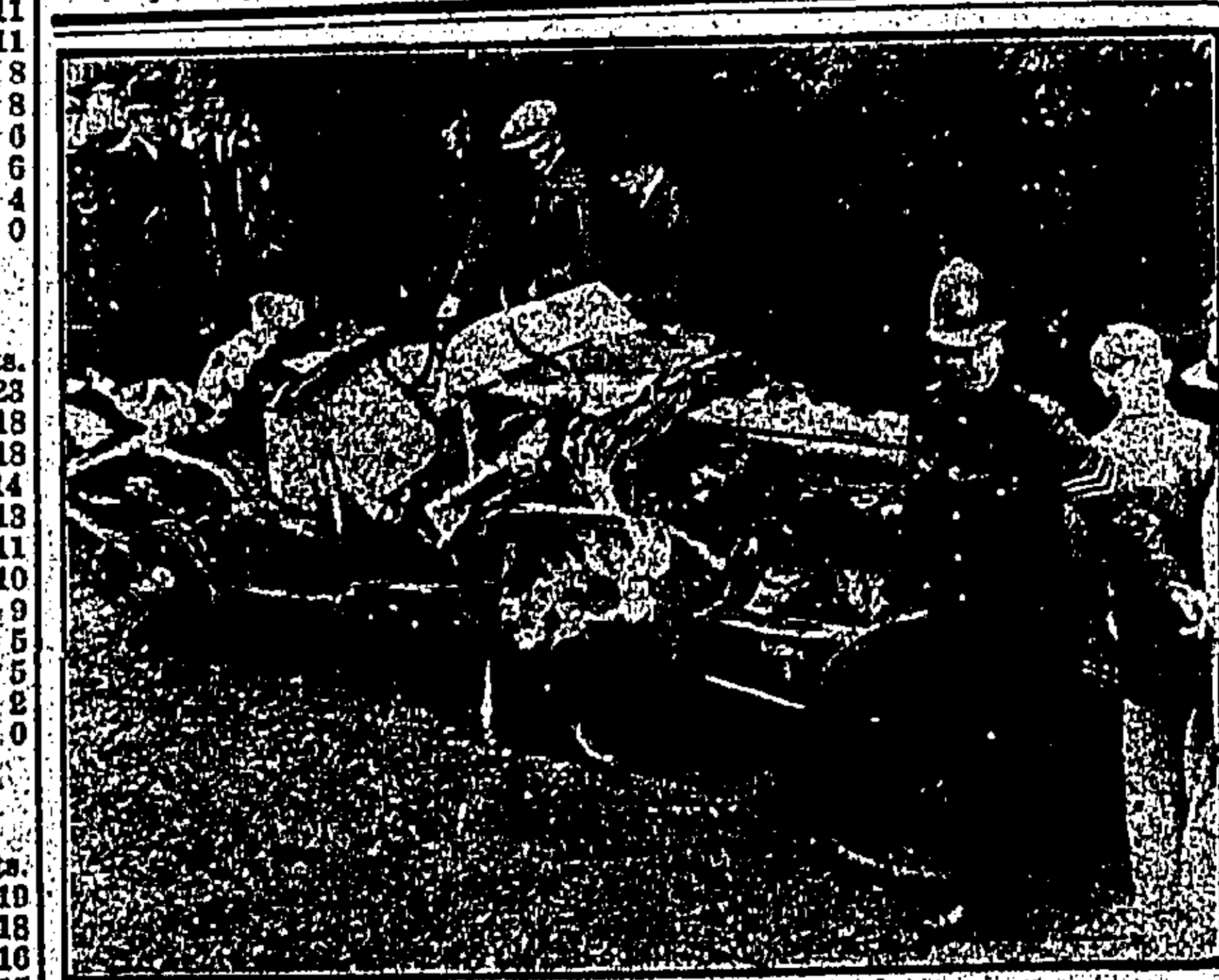


COMBEY, the goalkeeper of the Royal Artillery team who are at present leaders in the First Division table.

the tight. The Club team did most of the pressing, and taking the ball into the Borderers half scored their first points as the result of a penalty for holding on to the ball, Cogan converting.

The last minutes of the game were very even with the exception of the breakaway by Pte. Lewis who intercepted a pass to cut through and race round Fox to touch down beneath the posts.

Club:—S. J. H. Fox; R. Goldman, L. Goldman, M. N. Cochrane, A. H. Harbord, A. D. Lowson, A. W. Terrible; J. E. H. Cogan, R. Stillard, G. C. Mantrill, R. I. Cherrill; F. R. Burch, A. G. Dalglish, F. Nigel and A. R. Cox. Borderers:—Sgt. Gould; Pte. Lewis, Lieut. Richardson, Pte. Walters, Sgt. Shaw; L/C Hewitt, Lieut. Hamilton; Sgt. Constant, Pte. Lloyd, Pte. Gilmore, Pte. Watkins, Pte. Whelan, L/C Evans, L/C Birch and Pte. Evans. Referee:—D. McLellan.



Clive Dunfee, the racing motorist, was instantly killed at Brooklands, tracks, Weybridge, Surrey, during the 500 miles race, organised by the British Racing Drivers' Club. Dunfee was driving the biggest car in the race—Mr. Woolf Barnato's Bentley. He was travelling at about 130 miles an hour when the car shot over the home banking, and fell into the roadway forming an entrance to the track. Woolf Barnato's Bentley after the fatal accident.



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BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Havre Maru	Tues., 3rd Jan.
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THE PHANTOM BUS

(Continued from page 7.)

Strite did not ride the black bus the next morning.

It was nearly seven o'clock when he opened his eyes from a troubled sleep. This meant that he would be late for the office where he worked, on the other side of the city. Of course, he missed his regular bus, and, with it, the other. The daylight, too, put a different aspect upon things. It would have been ridiculous, after all, to board a bus bound for another part of the city merely to humour a crazy impulse.

Yet, when that night came, Strite hesitated to go to bed. He told himself that he was hopeless, a fool and a coward. Then he undressed and resolutely turned out the light.

His hesitancy had not been unfounded. Again he found himself boarding the mysterious, sweating conveyance with its leaning operator and strange, illusive odour. And again a sudden, agonised awakening.

But this time he saw the other occupants before he awoke. They all—there were six of them—had their eyes closed as they sat nodding slightly with the almost imperceptible swaying of the bus. There was a repellent something about those faces, other than their closed eyelids, that struck a chill into Strite's heart. He wondered whether they were just weary, like him, or—

A cold finger touched his wrist. He managed to turn and face the operator. The latter, his face still hidden, was pointing to the fare box. Of course, these ill-built, ill-kept buses would reverse things by demanding their fare when one entered. He reached into his pocket for a dime, and in that moment caught sight of a seventh passenger, seated in front on the other side. The operator's head and shoulders had partly hidden her from him before, despite her slender tallness.

As his fingers found and automatically brought forth a dime, he observed that this passenger's eyes were not closed like the rest—that they were pale grey and staring at him. They were like—oh, God, it couldn't be—Doris! But it was—it was! How could he have failed to recognise her sooner, despite her position on the other side of the operator? Now he could understand why this bus had drawn him so strangely, irresistibly.

As he stared back at her, speechless with amazement, her eyes left his face, turned toward the wind shield. Her pale lips twitched oddly, as if, mute with fear at what she saw there, she sought vainly to scream.

Then, abruptly, the spell was broken. She leaped to her feet, throwing one arm across her face in a gesture of one warding off some fearful harm. A shrill, hysterical scream pierced the quiet of that closed space like the stab of a knife!

That cry jarred Strite back to consciousness with a suddenness that jerked him upright in bed.

As he sat there, trembling with the realism of his dream and that agonised scream, he became aware that he held something tightly in one closed hand. A fresh chill passed through his body at the familiar feel of that something. He needed no light to tell him that it was a dime he clutched—the dime he had been ready to drop in the fare box of his dream!

Of course, he found that the coin evidently had fallen out of his vest when he sat on the bed while undressing. In fact, he usually kept some change in his vest pocket, so as to have it handy for tips, newspapers, and such. Perhaps the accidental finding and touching of that coin in his slumbers had even started the train of thought that had made him dream of the fare box—and the other things. But there was no more sleep for Strite. After tossing about for the rest of the night, he got up about five o'clock.

This morning he was determined upon one thing. He would ride the black bus—"the phantom bus" as he had come to term it privately—this morning, and kill once and for all this persistent, subconscious illusion that had taken root in his mind from the seed of his first absurd impression of the rickety conveyance in the eerie light of half-dawn.

Once more his intention was to be defeated, however.

The black bus failed to appear before the six-forty-five, though he had arrived at its stop more than a quarter-hour before it was due. He even waited for ten minutes after his regular bus had gone—

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The shipping income used to register Y140,000,000 to Y150,000,000 until a few years ago, when it started to dwindle. The falling tendency was acute in 1930 and 1931. The Yokohama Specie Bank put the figure at Y85,000,000 in 1930 and Y89,000,000 in 1931, though it is argued that it actually totalled Y115,000,000 and Y1,000,000,000.

Shipping was not at all encouraging for the first half of the year, but the position has since greatly improved.

The favourable turn is due partly to increased exports through the depreciated yen exchange, but the main cause is the activity of non-liner operators in ocean shipping. The total tonnage serving in Europe and the Atlantic now exceeds 800,000 tons, and increase of over 870,000 tons from a year ago, and the highest on record.

In view of the tariff barriers, which necessitate shipping men taking defensive measures, the situation cannot be viewed with too much optimism, yet it is generally believed that the same favourable situation will be maintained at least until the early part of next year. Any improvement in China and America will brighten the trade.

"Queer thing about how it got there," said the other.

"Nobody witnessed the accident, and the defunct bus company's officials swear that the last they saw of their 'death trap' was when it was locked away in an old garage on the other side of Norwood. Can you imagine anyone swiping a can like that for a ride? But the present-day young coke-head will grab anything for a 'joyride'."

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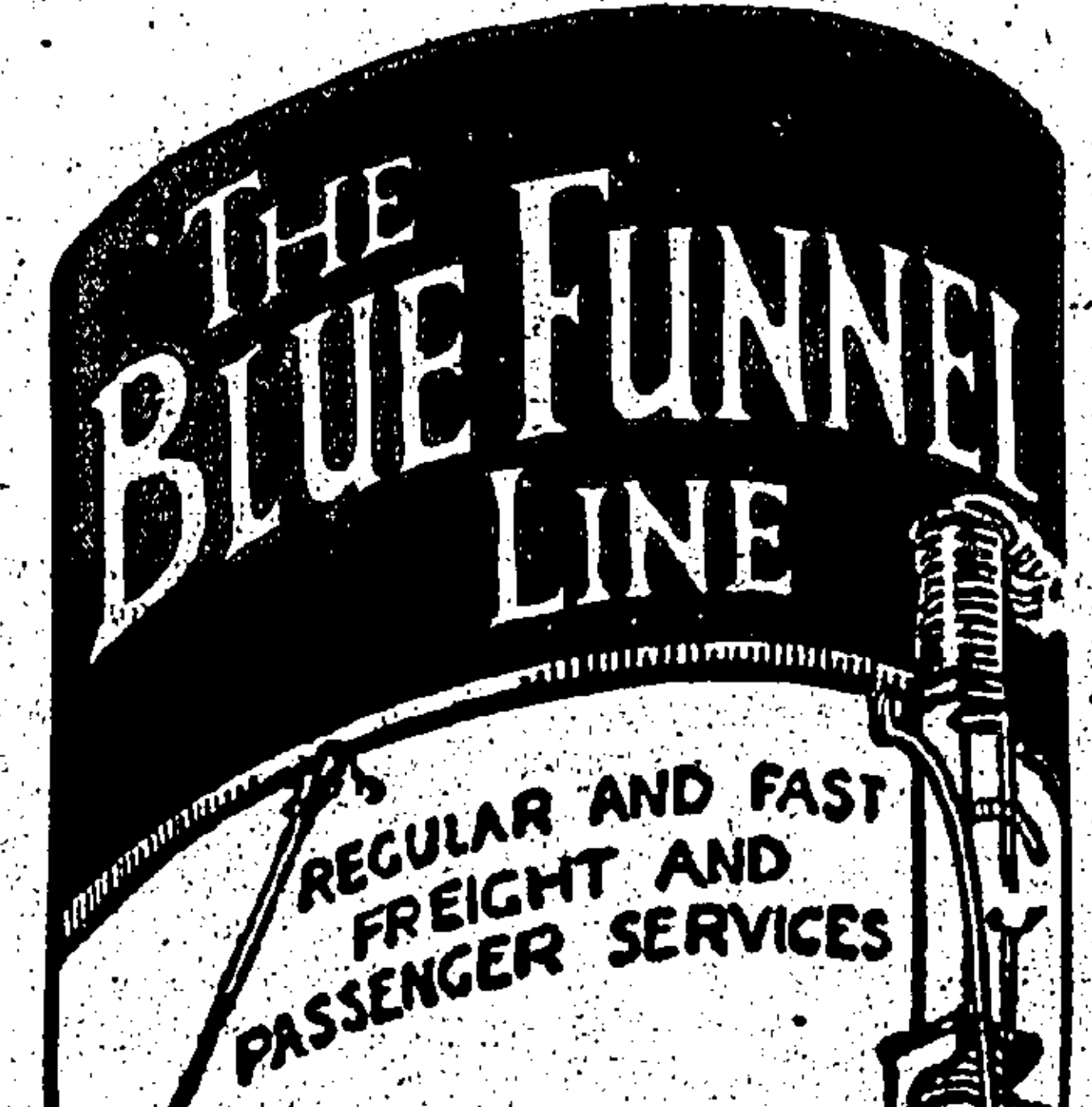
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RAJPUTANA	17,000	25th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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CORFU	15,000	11th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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CARTHAGE	14,000 30th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
1933.		
NELLORE	7,000 5th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe, Osaka & Y'ham.
TAKADA	7,000 18th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Osaka.
NALDERA	16,000 13th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOMALI	6,300 25th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000 27th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
CORFU	15,000 10th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*BANGALORE	6,500 23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
COMORIN	15,000 24th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANPURA	17,000 10th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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50,000 persons. Mme. Lebrun cut
the traditional cord and christened
the world's largest liner with the
world's largest bottle of cham-
pagne, containing six quarts of the
sparkling wine.

The great 1,027-foot hull, which
already contains more than 30,000
tons of steel, went off the ways in
seven seconds, sliding easily into
the water to the strains of "La
Marseillaise." Once afloat, the
Normandie was taken in tow by
tugs and drawn to her fitting
berth where she will remain for 3
months before taking her place in
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The Normandie is the first large
French liner to which the turbo-
electric drive has been applied.
It will be installed in the light of
experience gained from the per-
formance of two cargo boats which
have been running under this
system for four years under the
careful scrutiny of the builders.

When she enters the service,
the Normandie will replace the
Paris. The directors of the French
Line hope that, by that time, the
shipping crisis, which has resulted
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3,500,000 French tonnage, will
have passed and that the boldness
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mandie at this time demanded will
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The trans-Atlantic speed record
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Lloyd, which, on her maiden
voyage, in March, 1930, steamed
from Cherbourg to Ambrose Chan-
nel lightship, approximately 3,100
nautical miles, in four days, 17
hours, 6 minutes, at an average
speed of 28 knots. Her sister ship,
the Bremen, holds the record for
the eastward passage, from New
York to Cherbourg, which she
made in 4 days, 14 hours.

The Italian liner Rex, recently
launched, constitutes another
threat to France's place in the
race for supremacy of the Atlantic,
but the claims of her builders that
this 50,000-ton ship can achieve an
average speed of 30 knots, to set
a new record for the Atlantic
crossing, have not been put to a
fair test yet, as the Rex was delayed
by motor trouble at Gibraltar on
her maiden trip to New York
two weeks ago. On her return
voyage, just completed, she attain-
ed a speed of 27 knots.

Passenger Capacity 2,160.
The Normandie will have a
cruiser bow and three smoke
stacks, tapering in size. Among
her unusual appointments will be a
chapel extending through two
decks, a theater seating 500, a
winter garden, a terrace cafe and
a dance hall removed from the
sleeping quarters, and an avenue
of shops. Her passenger capacity
will be 2,160.

The Normandie's four 40,000-
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F. V. JENSEN,
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Hong Kong, December 7, 1932.

The following unclaimed tele-
grams are lying at the Eastern Ex-
tension Telegraph Co.'s office:—
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C. C. CLARKE,
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Hong Kong, November 30, 1932.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23.	
Shanghai	 Tyndareus
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and papers)	 Hakone Maru
(London, 24th November)	 Pres. Jefferson
Manila	 Katori Maru
Japan and Shanghai	 Atsuta Maru
Japan	 Buenos Aires Maru
Japan and Europe via Siberia (London, No- vember 26)	 (San Francisco, Nov. 25.)
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Nov. 25.)	 Pres. Monroe

OUTWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22.	
Swatow and Amoy	 Cremer 1.30 p.m.
Swatow	 Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Straits	 Seistan 3.30 p.m.
Manila	 Emp. of Asia 4.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23.	
Hoihow and Bangkok	 Kwelyang 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fouchow	 Hai Ning 2 p.m.
Haiphong	 Canton 2 p.m.
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A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

Sir Samuel Wilson, Permanent Under-Secretary of
State for the Colonies, arrived at Hong Kong on December
15 on the s.s. Ranchi from Singapore, after a month's stay
in Malaya, where he has been looking into the decentralisa-
tion question. On his arrival he explained to press repre-
sentatives the reason for his visit to Hong Kong. Sir
Samuel spoke in glowing terms of the beauty of Hong Kong
before speaking of his activities in Malaya and his pro-
gramme after leaving Hong Kong.

On arrival Sir Samuel and Lady Wilson were met by
Captain R. F. Walter, A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor.
A full report is given in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Chairs and tables were swung as weapons when a party
of Chinese youths fought with Europeans in the Majestic
Cabaret, Des Voeux Road, on December 15 and the Police
Emergency Unit was called to the scene to restore order.
There were no arrests and no one was seriously injured.
There are several theories as to the cause of the fight. The
assistant manager and a dancing instructor were the two
Europeans most conspicuous and four young Chinese were
their antagonists. Two of the Chinese were battered about
the face but the Europeans suffered no hurt.

The fight is fully reported in the OVERLAND CHINA
MAIL.

A lecture on Christian Science was under the auspices
of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hong Kong, in
the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel on
December 15, by William Wallace Porter, C.S.B. of New
York, member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother
Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston.

The speaker was introduced by Mrs. Kathryn Watson,
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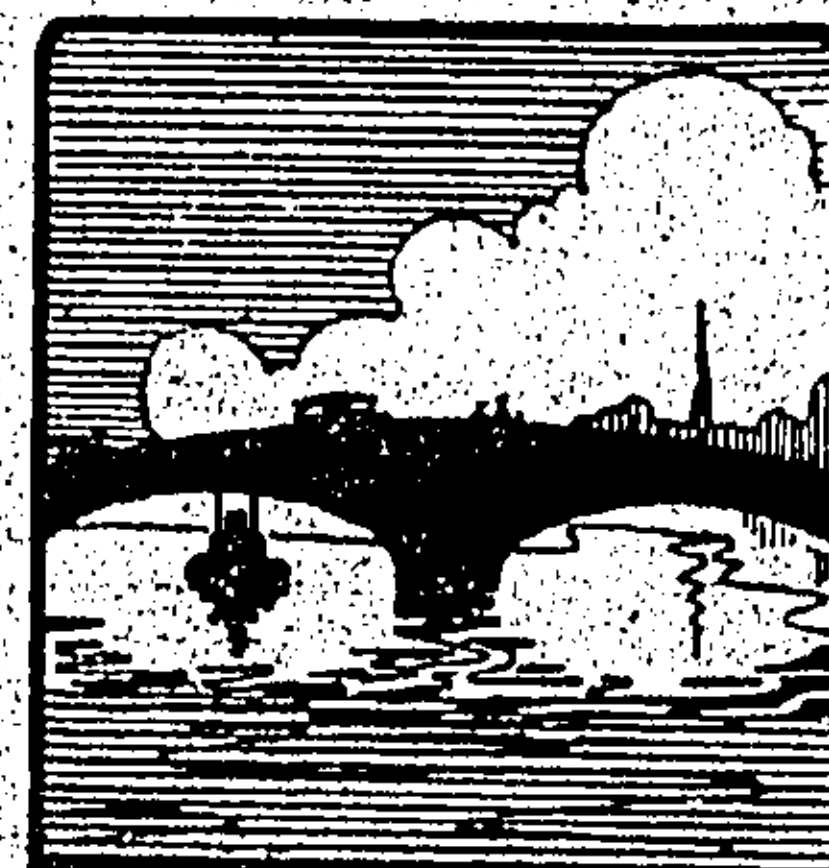
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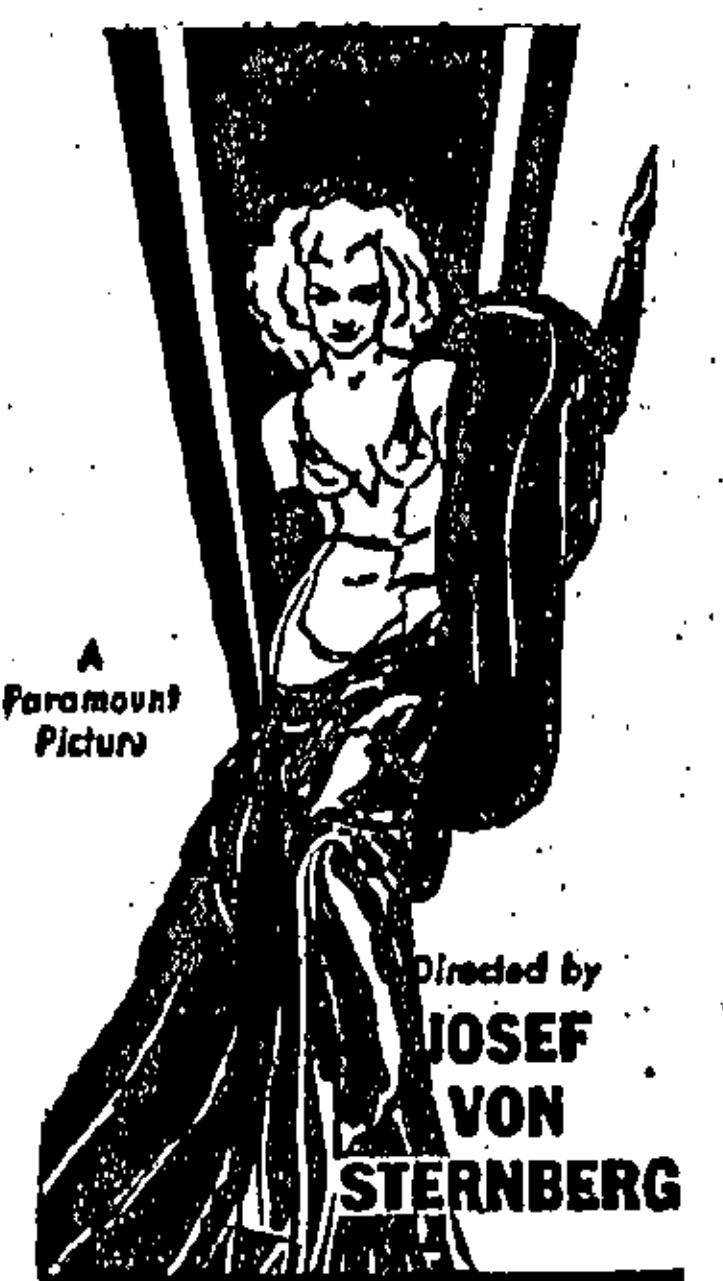
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MARLENE
DIETRICH
IN
"BLONDE VENUS"



H.K. Dollar May Rise To 1/6 By March

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It is considered unlikely that the Government will take any action on the currency question, at least until after the Economic Conference. Sir Samuel Wilson, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, discussed the matter during his visit.

It is stated that the economic slump is now being felt in Hong Kong more severely than before and reason is attributed in part to the low dollar value. The consequent cost of living in the Colony has reduced the spending-power of most of the residents as the great majority of wage earners are paid in dollars.

DOLLAR AND SILVER DOWN AGAIN.

Pound Still Improving in New York.

Simultaneously with the fall in the price of silver, the local dollar experienced a further drop and opened this morning at 1/3, a decline of 1/4 on yesterday's closing price.

Both spot and forward silver declined heavily, the spot price falling

from 16 15/16 to 16 11/16. Forward silver, quoted yesterday at 17, also declined 5/16.

The steady improvement in the pound in relation to the gold dollar is again evident this morning, the London on New York cross rate improving from £-G\$8.32 1/2 to £-G\$8.33 1/4. The New York on London rate rose from £-G\$8.33 1/4 to £-G\$8.34 1/4.

CHINA WILL TRY TO PLAY RAIL DEBTS.

(Continued from page 1.)

fund to meet the arrears. Loan services were finally assured.

Sir Miles Lampson would continue to make the necessary representation to China.—Reuter.

Locomotives Ordered.

London, To-day.

An order for eight Pacific Type locomotive and tenders has been received by the North British Locomotive Company of Glasgow, from the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.—British Wireless Service.

MR. H. G. ROBERTSON LEFT \$96,200.

Chinese Student's
\$29,800 Estate.

An estate to the value of \$96,200 has been left by Mr. Horace George Robertson, late of Hill View, Rhydyceana Road, Llanishem, Cardiff, who died on July 15, 1931.

Resealing of probate of the will and codicils has been granted by the Supreme Court to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, who made the application.

Letters of administration to the estate of Lo Kwan-mun, a student, who died in Hong Moon, Kwangtung, in August, 1930, and left \$29,800, have been granted to Lo Li-shi, the widow.

Charles Cheng, alias Cheung Ping-cheng, who died at Polk County, State of Iowa, U.S.A., in February this year, left an estate valued at \$6,400. Letters of administration have been granted by the Supreme Court.

On the application of the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, resealing of the certified copy of the probate of the will of Mr. John Elliot—Elliot, late of 44 Preston Road, Wembley, who left \$5,400, has been granted.

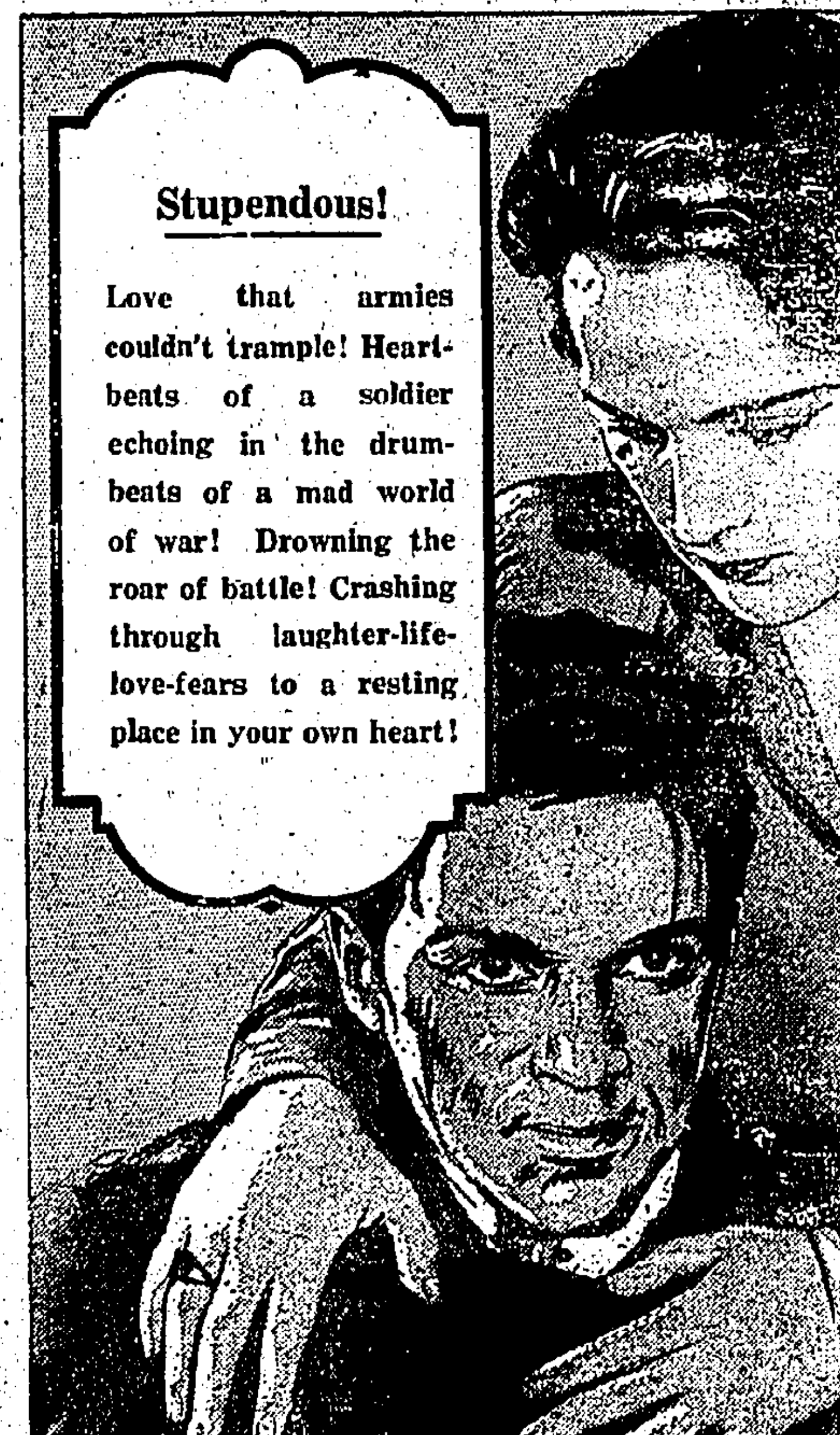
A similar application made by the Hon. Mr. Shenton, has been granted in the estate of Mr. James Deakes, shipping and buying agent, late of Tuverton, Holders Hill Road, Hendon, who died in March, 1930. Deceased left an estate valued at \$500.

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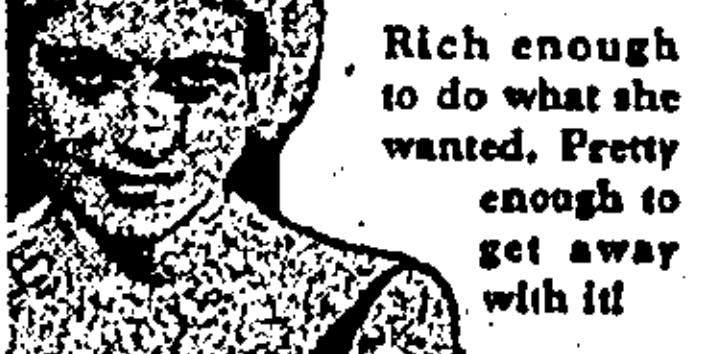
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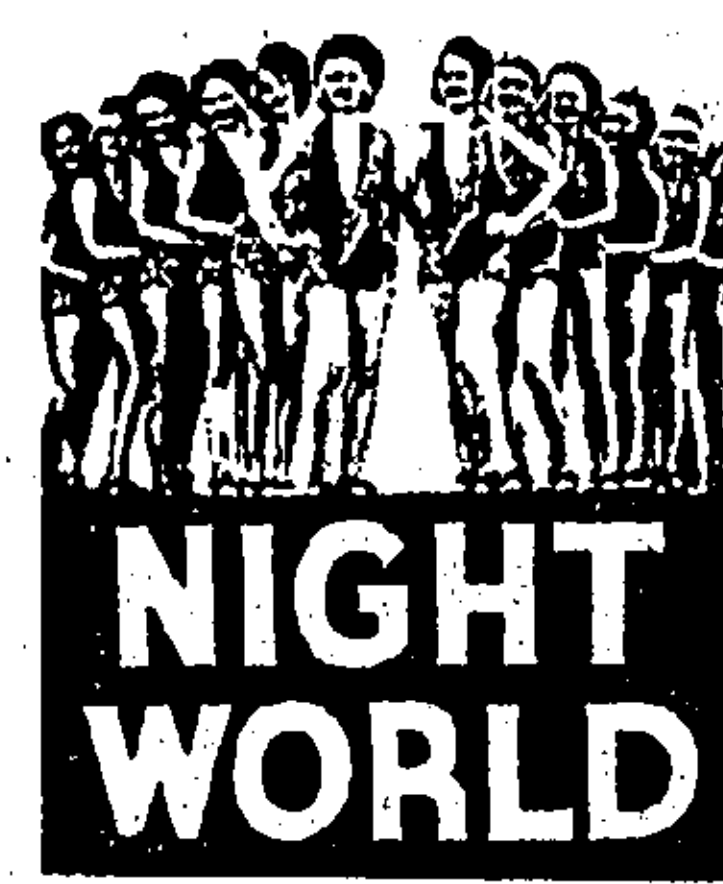
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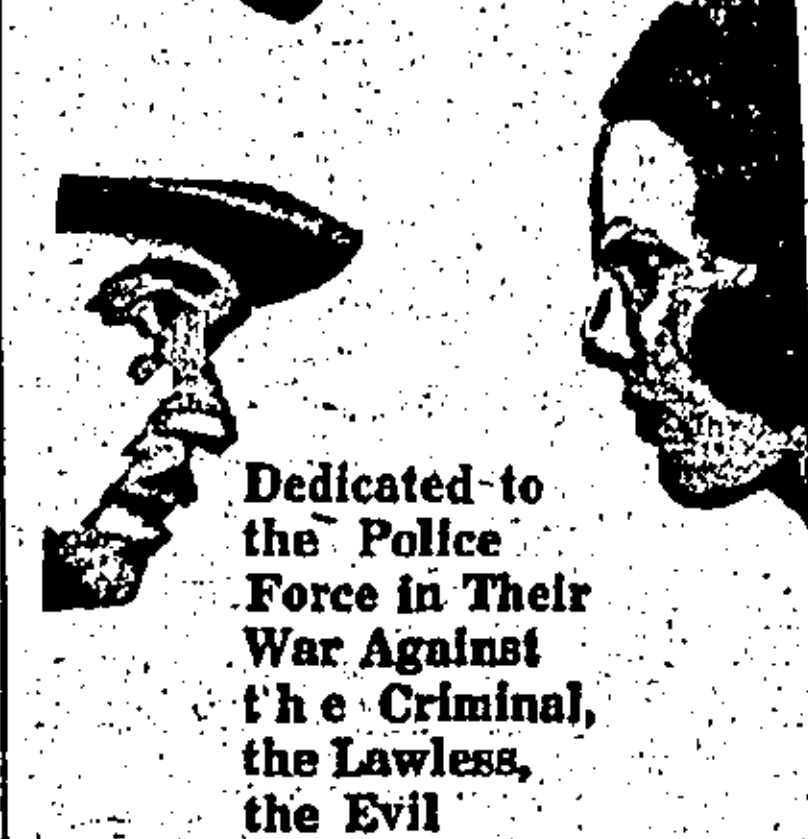
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